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Season's Greetings Edition

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800 Delegates Attend

FUA Convention Adopts 10-point Emergency Policy

The seventh annual convention of the Farmers' Union of Alberta, held in Edmonton Dec. 5 to 9, was attended by almost 800 delegates from all parts of the province.

Arnold C. Platt, prominent Lethbridge farmer and former cerealist with the federal agriculture department, was elected president to succeed Henry Young of Millet. Mr. Young was named as vice-president.

An emergency ten-point policy was adopted by the convention, calling for:

1. Domestic price of wheat used for human consumption be set at not less than $2.50 per bushel and other grains at comparable prices.
2. Floor price on grain to be set at not less than cost of production on all grain sold on the export and domestic markets.
3. The government to assume cost of all storage by the Wheat Board.
4. Federal government to establish a food bank by buying wheat equivalent to an average year's crop; such wheat to be held in approved storage at the expense of the government.
4. Cash advances on all farm-stored grain after inspection as to quantities, grade and condition of storage facilities.
6. An interim payment of not less than 10 cents per bushel on the 1954-55 wheat crop.
7. No municipal tax penalties until the farmer has had an opportunity of delivering at least a four-bushel quota.
8. Protection of the farmer from seizure and eviction during this emergency.
9. Increased trade with all countries by barter, acceptance of foreign currency, on credit and through gifts by the Canadian government.
10. Accelerated depreciation for income tax purposes on approved farm storage built in 1952 and subsequent years. (A resolution was also passed requesting that land taken out of grain and seeded to grass be included in the specified acreage in the permit book.)

Homesteaded Here 50 Years Ago

DANIEL McNIVEN

One of the pioneer residents of the Vulcan district, Daniel McNiven celebrated his 75th birthday on Dec. 12. His experiences of the pioneer days dates back to 1905, when he homesteaded 20 miles east of High River.

Born at Holton City, Kilbride, Ontario, Mr. McNiven left school at the age of 14 and worked on his father's farm and as a carpenter for the next six years. In 1901, at the age of 20, he decided to strike out for himself and got as far west as Manitoba. In 1902, as a member of the 77th Militia Regiment, he journeyed to England to attend the coronation of King Edward 7th.

In 1903 Mr. McNiven took another step westward when he moved to Saskatchewan and worked on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway survey crew for 18 months. His final move westward took place in February of 1905, when he came to Alberta and homesteaded 20 miles east of High River. That winter he worked on a logging crew in B.C., returning to his homestead in the spring.

During those early lean years Mr. McNiven turned to raising and buying horses and selling them in Ontario as a means of supplementing the income from the homestead.

During his 50 years in Alberta he has been back to Ontario 30 times, most of these trips being in the earlier years for the purpose of selling horses.

In 1913 a Scottish lass named Lily Coull came to Canada from her native land and in 1914 she became Dan McNiven's bride. They have raised a family of five sons and two daughters: Don, Charlie, Jim, Dan Jr. and Frank; and May (Mrs. Blake Springer) and Elsie (Mrs. Jack Willard). There are 21 grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. McNiven now live in their comfortable farm home 12 miles north and two miles west of Vulcan and Dan Jr. now farms the original homestead.

During his long residence in the district Mr. McNiven has taken an active part in school and municipal affairs. He was a member of the first Local Improvement District board at Brant, was a school trustee for some years and for 12 years — 1939 to 1950 — represented his district as a member of the council of the Municipal District of Vulcan.

Present Snow Suits To Mueller Triplets

The Champion district's Mueller triplets were honored at a gathering at the Holy Cross hospital in Calgary the afternoon of Dec. 19 when they were presented with three nylon snow suits by representatives of the Ladies Auxiliary of the hospital.

The triplets, two boys and a girl were six months old on Dec 5 and are all in excellent health. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emery H. Mueller, who farm in the Champion district, have two older children, a boy and a girl.

Pioneer Resident Laid To Rest

Martha Tressa Dingwall

Services were conducted by Archie Cooper of Calgary at the Vulcan IOOF hall on Dec. 10 for Mrs. Martha Tressa Dingwall, aged 75, who died at Vulcan on Dec. 6 following a long illness.

Pall-bearers were Alex Reid, Lloyd Grimm, Bruce Elder, Robert Irwin, Budd Andrews and Kenneth Reeve and burial was made in the Vulcan cemetery.

The beloved wife of Robert Dingwall, pioneer farmer of the west district, Mrs. Dingwall was born in Sandfield, Ont., and came west in 1904. She lived at Nanton until her marriage in 1908 and since then had resided on the farm west of Vulcan.

Besides her husband she is survived by two sons, Gordon at Cochrane and George, at home; and three daughters, Elizabeth at High River and Rea and Grace at home; one brother, William Thomas, Eckville; one sister, Mrs. Lina Shoop, Vancouver, and five grandchildren.

Children's Xmas Party Held By Highlanders

Following the annual free show and treats for the children of Vulcan and district, sponsored by the Legion, Elks and Lions on Saturday Dec. 17, Santa Claus made a return visit to Vulcan on Sunday, Dec. 18, when the members of "A" Company, Calgary Highlanders, their wives and children attended their first annual children's Christmas party.

Held in the IOOF hall from 3 to 5 p.m., over 80 children of members of the unit attended despite the below-zero weather. Each child received an individually-chosen present as well as treats and other surprises. Santa Claus was piped into the hall by Company Sergeant Major Scotty Sutherland and the officers and warrant officers of the unit assisted in distributing the gifts. Mrs. Marion Paris was pianist and Michael Soby led in the singing of Christmas carols by the children prior to Santa's arrival.

Coffee and pastries were served by members of the unit.

Nativity Play Presented By Choral Society

The Vulcan Choral Society presented "A "Nativity Play" in the high school auditorium Wednesday and Thursday evenings of last week, sponsored by the Home and School Association.

The well-received production was directed by Rev. J. S. Clarke, with Mrs. W. W. Almond as accompanist, and told the beautiful Christmas story with song and verse in seven scenes. Solo parts were taken by Violet Galbraith, Mary Jane Hilz, Harold Hansen, Edward Roebuck, Arthur Jones, Cecil Warden and Barrie Roebuck.

Commentary between scenes was given by Albert Collier and Henry Hansen.

Members of the United Church junior choir, including Margaret Giles, Cathie Clark, Myrna Jamison, Linda Roebuck, Jean Hess and Ann Jamison, also took part. Their excellent costumes were made by their mothers and the adult costumes were brought in from Winnipeg.

Score More Goals Than Dollars

Playing before a small crowd at the local arena the Vulcan Legionaires picked up $12.25 as they defeated the Claresholm Airforce hockey team by a 15 to 1 score to move into first place in the Foothills Hockey League. The local crew, skating both ways and passing brilliantly, scored at the six minute mark in the first period, then never let up until the final whistle.

The win, a real team effort, saw the forwards backed by a steady defence hustling both ways and when the disorganized Claresholm team did get a shot at the Vulcan net they found Garvin almost unbeatable.

Vulcan Lineup:

Goal, Garvin; Pruden, Dann, Krochuk, Gorbous, Walker, Wright, Boutland, Phillips, Kehr, Gerding, Going and Larkins.

Summary:

1st Period: Gorbous (Krochuk, Walker); Wright (Phillips, Going); Boutland (Pruden, Gerding); Wright (Boutland, Kehr); Walker (Krochuk, Gorbous).

2nd Period: Gorbous (Walker, Krochuk); Gorbous (Dann, Walker); Gorbous (Krochuk, Larkins) Gorbous (Pruden, Walker); Pruden (Kehr, Wright); Krochuk (Dann, Gorbous).

3rd Period: Going (Wright, Boutland); Krochuk (Gorbous, Walker) Walker (Krochuk, Gorbous); Boutland (Dann, Wright).

Next game in league play will be played Thursday night at the Vulcan arena when Fort Macleod will supply the opposition.

Mrs. E. Carruthers, President

Legion Ladies Auxiliary Installs New Officers

The annual meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion was held Wednesday, December 14, in the Legion hall, with 43 members present.

Correspondence included greetings from provincial officers and members residing at various points, letters of thanks for donations to the C.W.B., the Veteran's hospital Fund and others.

One application for membership was received and favorably voted upon. This candidate will be notified to be present at the next regular meeting for initiation.

At the conclusion of the busines session the meeting was turned over to Comrades W. E. Sparks and James Clark of the local Legion branch, who conducted the election of officers for the Auxiliary for the coming year. Results of the election were as follows: Mrs. Earl Carruthers, re-elected president; Mrs. W. E. Sparks and Mrs. L. Kuykendall elected 1st and 2nd vice-presidents respectively. Mrs. A. C. Marsh was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Executive, Miss Beth Lindsay, Mrs. Dave Neville, Mrs. Charles Andrews, Mrs. Russ Lawrence, Mrs. Harris Matlock and Mrs. S. Degenstein.

The newly elected officers were installed by Zone Auxiliary Commander, Mrs. John Hunter.

Following the election and installation the meeting was turned over to the entertainment committee, who had arranged a short social program in keeping with the season. Tables were decorated with Christmas favors, and Mrs. Hannah Matlock and Mrs. Edo Andrews, dressed as Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa handed out oranges and candy and distributed gifts from the Christmas Pie.

The draw for the curling sweater with the Alberta emblem was made, and Mrs. A .G. Saxby was declared the winner.

A delicious holiday lunch was served by Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. C. Clarkson, Mrs. B. Crick, Mrs. Sparks and Mrs. Kuykendall.

Skating Club Plans Carnival

There are 40 new beginners this winter in the figure skating classes conducted by Mrs. Roberta Davis and all are making good progress.

A meeting will be held early in the New Year, when plans will be made for the annual winter carnival, which will feature the production "Alice in Wonderland."

Four members of the skating club are now capable of passing the tests for their bronze medals: Helen Haverty, Kathleen Haverty, Cathie Graham and Sherry Haydamack.

The following skaters are considered capable of passing their elementary tests: Marion Knive, Merla Robertson, Ora Jane Urquhart, Anne Jamison, Karen Smith, Leslie Lucas, Kathie Graham, Jeannie Hess, Marilyn Brinker, Maria Manning, Leona Jones, Gloria Jones, Pat Paris and Jean Ann Matlock.

The open-hearth method is employed for most of Canada's steel production.

No Advocate Next Week

This Dec. 22 issue of the Advocate is the last edition of 1955. Following the custom of previous years, the Advocate will not be published next week—the week between Christmas and New Year's.

Following the long week-end holiday, the Advocate office will be open as usual for commercial printing and general business.

The next edition will be published Thursday morning, Jan. 5, and town and district correspodents are reminded to send in as much of their news as possible the previous weekend in order to avoid an overload of type-setting on the 3rd and 4th.

Present 30-year Buttons

30th Anniversary Is Observed By Elks Lodge

The 30th anniversary of Vulcan Elks Lodge No. 121 was celebrated on Dec. 7 when some 200 members of the lodge, ladies of the Royal Purple lodge, and their guests enjoyed a full course turkey dinner at the IOOF hall, followed by a dance.

A feature of the evening was the presentation, by Exalted Ruler Gale Atkinson of 30-year buttons to nine members. Those present to receive their buttons were Floyd Atkinson, Russell Robson, Archie McIntyre, Jim Marshall and John Hanna. Also presented with 30-year buttons but unable to be present were A. Vanskiver of Vancouver and Dave Brooks and Henry Dorch of Calgary.

Gale Atkinson had the pleasure of presenting his father, F. E. Atkinson, with his 30-year button, and Jim Marshall received his button from the hands of his nephew, R. J. Marshall.

PDDGER R. J. Marshall was chairman at the banquet and the invocation was given by Ken Loucks. The toast to the Queen was proposed by the chairman, followed by the introduction of guests.

A toast to the Vulcan Elks Lodge was proposed by DDGER S. Dodds of Calgary, to which Exalted Ruler Gale Atkinson responded. The toast to the ladies was proposed by PER Harris Matlock, with Assoc. R. L. Ina Ohler responding. Past Honored Royal Ladies Nina Ritland, Gwen McKay, Laura Houlton, Olga Miller and Hannah Matlock of the OORP were presented with corsages by Mr. Matlock.

The toast to the Alberta Elks Association was proposed by PDDGER Carson McKay and responded to by Past President Wes Jacobson of Barons. The toast to the Grand Lodge was given by PER Bruce McKay and the response was made by Grand Lecturing Knight Hugh Ryan of Calgary. Ross Walker brought greetings from Mayor W. D. Allan of Vulcan, who was unable to attend.

A program, arranged by Ross Walker, was much enjoyed and included whistling selections by Bruce White, piano accordian and guitar number by Bob Gerding and Alvin Jacobson. Alvin Jacobson's 'Norwegian from Norway' number with harmonica and guitar, brought much applause.

During the evening special mention was made of the Past Exalted Rulers who have guided the lodge since the time it was chartered in 1925 to the present time. They are: 1925, Earl Clark; 1926, Earl Clark; 1927, W. D. Allan; 1928, W. D. Allan; 1929, B. R. Lommatzsch; 1930, PDDGER F. E. Atkinson; 1931, Grand Chaplain F. E. Atkinson; 1932, Al Kennedy; 1933, Joe Dobbs; 1934, Joe Dobbs; 1935, Lyle Jones; 1936, H. L. Greene; 1937, R. W. Simington; 1938, F. E. Atkinson; 1939, D. A. McAfee; 1940, Dave Nicol; 1941, W. Brown; 1942, W. Brown, 1943, C. J. Robinson; 1944, W. A. Fitzpatrick; 1945, L. Marshall; 1946, R. B. Middleton; 1947, Bruce McKay; 1948, Carson McKay; 1949, Carson McKay; 1950, Harris Matlock; 1951, Harris Matlosk; 1952, Jim Jensen; 1953, R. J. Marshall; 1954, Gale Atkinson; 1955, Gale Atkinson.

Following the banquet dancing was enjoyed in the main hall to the music of Fraser's orchestra.

THE WEATHER

Following a week of bitter sub-zero weather a most welcome Chinook put in an appearance on Wednesday morning, bringing much milder temperatures. The ground is well covered with snow, assuring a white Christmas.

Holiday Hours Of Local Stores

Vulcan stores will observe the following hours during the Christmas and New Year holiday season:

Open Saturday, Dec. 24, until 9 p.m.

Closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 26 and 27.

Open all day Wednesday, Dec. 28, until 6 p.m.

Open Saturday, Dec. 31, until 9 p.m.

Closed on Monday, Jan. 2.

Open Tuesday, Jan. 3, and thereafter on regular schedule, closing Wednesday afternoons and, during the months of January, February and March only, closing Saturday nights at 7 p.m.

"Hat Parade" At W.I. Meeting

The December meeting of the Reid Hill W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. A. Sales, Thursday, December 15, with Mrs. Jack Marshall as co-hostess, 14 members and one visitor present. Roll call was "One way to Brighten Another's Christmas.'

Mrs. Agnes McKay was in the chair and conducted the meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Eva Bowie.

During the business session reports of the conveners of the committees in charge of serving the Elks' dinner and Highlanders' lunch were given and showed both projects to be quite profitable. Mrs. Jack Marshall was named to the Rest Room committee. A donation of a Viewmaster and reels to the Woods Christian Home and of reels to the local hospital were voted.

At the conclusion of the business meeting a sing-song featuring Chritsmas carols was enjoyed. Mrs. Harold gave a fine reading, which was followed by a highly amusing parade of "Hats of the Month." Originally, the idea of this event was for a member to make and model a hat suitable to the month, with a parade of the twelve hats at the end of the year. Actually only 7 hats were shown, but these were especially clever and original, making the judges jobs a difficult one. However, Mrs. Marshall, whose hat was for the month of October appeared with a most realistic witch's high hat, which she complemented with long black flowing draperies and a broom stick, and she was declared the winner of the first prize. Mrs. Ross Walker with her spring bonnet won second prize.

Birthday remembrances were presented to Mrs. Frieda McRoberts and Mrs. W. A. Fitzpatrick, whose birthdays occur this month.

A Christmas Pie was opened and members exchanged small gifts and season's greetings.

The tea draw was won by Mrs. Marshall and a hot lunch was served by the hostess.

Additional local news will be found on Page 11.

Bill Hansell of Edmonton will vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hansell.

GARAGE SERVICE

Open on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and until 8 p.m. each day this coming week.

Elder's Garage

Merry Christmas - - Happy New Year

From the Advocate Staff: Bob Munro, Jack Black, Gerald Magnusson, Lois Stuart and Gen Sales

And from all our News Correspondents throughout the County of Vulcan

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No Improvement Yet

Considerable publicity was given, a couple of weeks ago, to the story that the box-car situation would soon improve and there would be considerable movement of grain from the country elevators before Christmas.

Well, there hasn't been any radical improvement locally and Vulcan elevators have orders for grain they are unable to fill simply because they can't get the box-cars. Meanwhile, some points (Brooks, for one) have a two-bushel quota and many of the points on the Macleod line got a one-bushel quota some days ago. At the time of writing (Tuesday) there was still no word of a quota for Vulcan and considerable doubts if the elevators could handle it if it did come through.

This week, a statistical report released by Sanford Evans Co. showed that across Canada there is room for 105 million bushels of wheat in country elevators and terminals. This is proof, surely, that the present quota system could be improved and should be revised —that larger shipments of grain should be made from points that serve areas where wheat is the main crop. Is it fair to keep the wheat-growing Aldersyde division on the same quota as a district where the main production is cattle and hogs?

Higher Wheat Yields

These big wheat crops we have been having in recent years have not been altogether a matter of luck, and we are not flattering our wheat growers when we pretend they are, states The Financial Post.

Since 1939 the long-term average yield per acre has been creeping up. In the 17 crops to 1955, only four have fallen well below 17 bushels per acre, five have been far above, and the average for the whole period has been well over 18 or about 20% than prewar.

That development is not surprising. With the war came mechanization on a big scale. Crops went in faster and were taken off faster. There was much less chance of weather damage.

In the old days much seed went into soil that had become too dry for good germination. It just wasn't possible to finish seeding in a matter of days as it is now. At the other end of the season snow and rain might damage much of the crop because there were not enough fine days for the long-drawn-out harvesting operations then followed. And agricultural science in the form of earlier-maturing and rust-resisting strains has also helped to boost production. So have weed killers and commercial fertilizers.

Why Not Buy Abroad

(Red Deer Advocate)

Speaking at the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool meeting in Regina on Saturday, Mr. Howe severely criticised the sale of wheat by the United States to foreign countries in exchange for strategic materials. He said that methods used by the United States to sell wheat had been harmful not only to Canada but to the wheat situation in general. He claimed that it would be a mistake for Canada to sell abroad and receive payment in foreign currencies.

Mr. Howe's criticism of United States wheat sale policy is probably justified but there are many Canadians who will not go along with him on his policy of selling wheat only for dollars. How in the world are we to build up export trade in wheat if we refuse to accept goods made in foreign countries in payment for it? That is what payment to us in foreign currencies means. To get dollars to pay us our potential customers must sell their goods to a dollar country and there are only two, the United States and Canada. The United States is now selling its wheat and taking payment in foreign goods and it is difficult to see how Canada can continue to sell for dollars and even more difficult to see why.

Farmers who want cash on their farm-stored wheat will pay five per cent for it. The maximum loan will be $1,500 so that maximum cost to any single farmer will be $75 for a full year or somewhat less for the time he holds all the wheat covered by the loan. Whether this cost should be borne by the farmer himself, the Wheat Board or the government is causing a lot of discussion. Actually it is far more important to the farmers in the long run to sell some millions of bushels to countries that have no dollars. If that is done the present desperate congestion would be a thing of the past and the question of who pays the interest would not arise. Perhaps the farm groups could get Mr. Howe working on this.

Classifieds

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Weaner and Feeder pigs. Phone 401, Vulcan, Gerry Going. 42-tfc

FOR SALE—Used Duo-Therm oil-burning heater, medium size, good condition. Priced reasonable. Apply Ray G. Despas, Herronton, Alta., Phone 91535, Blackie. 20-2p

EXPERT AUTO BODY Repairs. Painting, and windshield service. Free estimates. Wheat Centre Motors, Vulcan, Alta. Phone 96. 10-tfc

FOR SALE—Connor Gas Washer, 4 years old. Write L. Penstock, Ensign. 19-2p

BALED SWEET CLOVER for sale. $20.00 per ton in small lots. Phone 129. U.F.A.—Co-op Ltd.

FOR SALE—Hereford Bull, $150. Phone 1106, Vulcan. 18-3p

WILL TRADE FOR WHEAT—1954 Chev. sedan with heater, turning lights, radio, 31,000 miles; and yearling heifers and calves. Phone 2303, Quentin Armstrong, Nanton, Alberta. 20-2c

WILL TRADE limited number of Thompson Easy-Arc Welders for the following: Tiller, Wide Level Disc, Press Drill, Chisel Plow, Packers, Farm Wagons. Or will take half wheat, half cash. Thompson Electric, 802-21 Ave., N.W., Calgary. 18-4c

FARMERS—Trade your wheat or barley on new and used cars of all popular makes. Bring in sample of your grain and see our display of cars. Marquis Motors, Phone 71313, Lethbridge. 19-2p

FOR SALE OR TRADE — Two Hampshire Boars. One Holstein cow to freshen in May. Will trade for feed oats or oat bundles. Phone R611, Champion. 20-2p

BOAR FOR SALE—Phone R1111, Albert Schierman, Vulcan. 19-2p

1952 METEOR Custom 4-door Sedan for sale. Two-tone, excellent condition, radio, seat covers, etc. Good rubber. Mileage 27,000. Reasonable. Phone 71, Vulcan. 19-2c

WILL TAKE WHEAT!
49 MERCURY 3-TON, chassis and cab. 800 bus. No. 3 wheat.
48 MERCURY 1 TON with 125 bus. box. 900 bus. No. 3 wheat.
50 MERCURY ½ TON. Very good truck. 900 bus. No 3 wheat
49 GMC PANEL TRUCK 450 bus No. 3 wheat.
49 METEOR SEDAN. 750 bus. No. 3 wheat.

WHEAT CENTRE MOTORS
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HOUSES & FARMS

FOR SALE OR RENT — Three-roomed House with double garage. Phone 233, Vulcan. 20-tfc

HOUSE FOR RENT—Three rooms and bathroom, fully modern, propane heating, available Jan. 1. Also rooms to rent. Phone 58, Vulcan. 20-1c

SECTION NORTH-WEST of Vulcan. 360 acres No. 6 soil, cultivated. 280 acres excellent pasture with creek running through. Buildings will support 100 head cattle. $45 an acre, cash. See J. Lundy Findlay, Realtor, Vulcan. 46-tfc

SECTION NORTH OF Ensign. Buildings. 400 acres broken, 240 acres excellent pasture, creek, flowing well. $40 an acre, half cash. Consideration for all cash. See J. Lundy Findlay, Realtor, Vulcan. 46-tfc

VARIETY OF HOUSES— 2 to 4 bedrooms, modern, various locations, priced from $3,500 to $15,000. See J. Lundy Findlay, Realtor, Vulcan. More and better selections of house listings than ever before. Also have several good farms listed for sale. 50-tfc

FOR SALE—Seven room house with bathroom, located halfway between Vulcan and Champion. To be moved from present site. Reasonably priced. Phone 39, J. M. Jamison, Vulcan. 8-tfc

SECTION of land for sale southeast of Lomond. Three-quarters cultivated, one-quarter grass. Half-section cultivation and grazing lease goes with this. Good, level land. Very good buildings and lots of corrals. 3-car garage and electric power. Part of this land will be irrigated in about two years. Phone or write J. M. Jamison, Phone 39, Vulcan. 12-tfc

TO BUY OR SELL a house or farm land contact J. Lundy Findlay, Real Estate and Insurance. Phone 228 or Res. 61. Have several good listings. 36-tfc

FOR RENT

FOR RENT — 2-roomed and 4-roomed suites, semi-furnished or unfurnished, central. Apply J. Lundy Finlay, Vulcan. 7-tfc

COMFORTABLE ROOMS for rent. Phone 283. bw 44-tfc

ROOM AND BOARD or room only for one or two gentlemen. Centrally located. Quiet home. Phone 71, Vulcan. 19,-2c

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OPPORTUNITY for man or woman to turn spare hours into cash giving Rawleigh Service to a hundred families in home town. Write for details of simple plan. The Rawleigh Co., I-A-107, Winnipeg, Man. 20-1c

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HELP WANTED—Responsible girl or older woman for the month of January. Write Box 50, Lomond, or phone R406, Lomond. 18-3p

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CHURCH NOTES

ST. ALDHELM'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, VULCAN
Rev. J. C. E. Reuss

Sunday, Christmas Day, 1955
Late-night Service of Holy Communion. Commencing Christmas Eve at 11:30 p.m.

Out-of-Town Appointments
St. John's Church, Lomond, Holy Communion 9:30 p.m.
Emmanuel Church, Carmangay, Holy Communion, 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, New Year's Day, 1955
St. Aldhelm's Church, Vulcan. Holy Communion. 11 a.m.
(No other appointments).

THE MILO-ENCHANT PARISH
Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada
N. D. Foster, Pastor
Box 30 Lomond, Alta.

Friday, December 24:
Milo—11 a.m., Christmas service.

Sunday, December 25:
Enchant— 11 a.m., Christmas Service.
Lomond—3:30 p.m., Christmas Service .

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Vulcan
Rev. Lowell L. Guebert, Pastor

Friday, December 23rd:
7:30—Divine Service with children's Christmas program.
Listen to the Lutheran Hour every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. over CFCN.

CHAMPION UNITED CHURCH
Minister: Rev. W. J. Huston
Phone 37

11 a.m., Worship and Bible Study for the family. Sermon topic:

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Vulcan

J. R. Chapman, Minister

Services 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF CHAMPION
Pastor L. Fair Phone 48

Christmas Day Service
11:00 a.m. - No regular Sunday School classes. Special Christmas Service with the musical Bickles furnishing music, will begin at this time instead of 12:00. Sermon topic: "What Think Ye of Christ?"

Fridey, December 23
7:30 p.m.— Christmas Program.

CARD OF THANKS
I would like to thank all my friends and neighbors who were so good to Dad while he was sick and in the hospital. Also the three ministers who visited him so faithfully, for the flowers, sympathy cards and all the kindness shown me while I was sick. Words aren't enough to express my gratitude.
—Mrs. Amy Clayton, High River 1c

With The District Agriculturist

Hugh Michael

The Flax Situation

Canadian visible flax, November 2nd, was 9.4 million bushels as compared with one week ago at 8.6 million bushels and one year at 5.4 million bushels. When it is considered that this year's flax crop was estimated at over 20 million bushels as compared with last year's crop of around 12 million bushels, the situation appears quite bright. There has been a steady flow of flax overseas throughout the year and this export demand shows no signs of slackening off. At this date the final flax estimated yield has not been announced. However, it would appear that even the former esatimated yield should cause no congestion and there is a possibility that practically all of our surplus flax will be disposed of before the 1956 crop is harvested.

For outside surfaces linseed still stands supreme. The only objection to linseed used in paints is its readiness to oxidize or turn yellow on exposed surfaces. Latest reports from research men indicate that this tendency to turn yellow has now been pretty definitely overcome. For inside surfaces other oils have been added and the result has been a tremendous increase in the number of home owners who belong to the "Do It Yourself" group. Reports indicate that these new mixtures have caused a greatly increased use of interior paints which in turn has caused an increase in linseed oil sales because this oil still is used in various percentages with other oils. The United States reports that the use of linseed oil has increased very considerably due to the increased interest of homeowners in doing their painting and decorating jobs.

Next year's crop must be carefully studied and much thought devoted to several questions (1) Is acreage reduction the answer (2) Should some crops such as flax be increased beyond this year's acreage? These questions face every grower in Canada and before next seeding time should be carefully studied.

The above information was obtained from the Canadian Flax Institute.

Of Many Things

By Ambrose Hills

MEDITATION

I number only one millionaire among my close friends. Naturally, I have studied him a lot to see how he does it. He is about my own age, has a bright mind, but is no genius. He works hard, but so do I. He is meticulously honest, somewhat over-generous, but otherwise a pretty normal man as far as I can see. I looked in vain for any secret of success. But last week I was given a clue.

We hunted together down around Souris, Manitoba. Guess we tramped all the cover both sides of the river for ten miles. That night we were beat. We surrounded a delicious steak at a fine little bowling alley and restaurant in Souris, then checked in at the hotel. I was under blankets within five minutes. But not my friend.

He got into his pyjamas, spent a good ten minutes on his knees. Then he drew a chair to the window and sat down, his feet up on the window sill. It was another half hour before he hit the hay.

In the morning I asked him what the long vigil was all about.

'When I first started in business,' he said, 'I had some upsetting experiences. Fussed so much and worked so hard I never had time to think. Then, one day at my service club, the speaker quoted an old Greek philosopher. The idea was that you shouldn't let yourself be spun around. You should find time, somewhere, for some quiet meditation on the eternal verities. I started that night and I've kept it up. I suppose you'd call it a spiritual exercise. Anyhow — I wouldn't miss it. Seems to keep me on the beam.'

So maybe that is his secret. Anyhow, I pass it along to you at no charge — just share your first million with me if you wish.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all our friends and neighbors who were so kind to Mother during her illness, and for flowers, cards and expressions of sympathy received at the time of our bereavement. 20-1p
—The Dingwall Family.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank our kind friends and neighbors for their beautiful floral offerings, cards and expressions of sympathy, during our recent bereavement of our beloved mother and grandmother. 1p
—Mrs. Robina Hutton and Family

Dr. and Mrs. B. Tonken
wish to extend to all their
new friends and clients
best wishes for a
Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

Christmas Greetings
This is the moment to express our thanks for your kind co-operation and to wish you one and all a happy and joyous time in 1956.
JACK SCOBBIE
Leather Work Shoe Repairs

Season's Greetings
To all our customers and friends who have helped us make 1955 a successful year, we wish you all
A MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR
Ray and Mary Despas
HERRONTON GARAGE
HERRONTON, ALTA.

ATTENTION: COAL BURNERS
Champion Coal Mine
Situated 6 miles south, 4 miles east and ¼ mile south of Vulcan.
—THIS MINE IS NOW IN FULL PRODUCTION—
Equipped with up-to-date machines and manpower.
TIPPLE WORK FROM 7:30 A.M. TO 5:30 P.M.
Lump - Stove - Coarse Stoker
AND FINE STOKER FOR KIRK FURNACES
Not operating on Saturdays and Sundays.

May This Be Your
"Most Remembered" Holiday

SCALES MOTORS
Stan Scales and Staff

Season's Greetings from the Merchants of Champion

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

With the keenest appreciatifon of your goodwill and patronage during the years we have been in business and the hope that we will again be able to serve you well during the coming year—we send you our warmest greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Bright, Prosperous New Year.

CHAMPION MOTORS
W. A. KEENAN
CHAMPION Alberta

Champion

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ramage of Calgary spent the weekend with friends and relatives in the district.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Clifford were weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Howerton.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rhodes and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Rhodes were Lethoridge visitors last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cartwright were Calgary visitors recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Holm are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born in a Calgary hospital, Saturday, December 17.

Mrs. S. Pasolli was a patient in the Vulcan hospital for several days last week.

Charlie and Eddie Barry arrived home this week from University of Alberta in Edmonton to spend the Yuletide with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Greenlee left last weekend to spend the Christmas holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carleton Mellett in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Miller accompanied by Miss Margaret Miller of Calgary spent the Christmas holiday in Edmonton with Mr. and Mrs. S. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sanderson and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rupp were Lethbridge visitors on Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart and family were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Miller.

Mrs. Bessie Siler was a Lethbridge visitor on Monday of this week.

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Woman's Association

The W. A. (Senior Group) met at the home of Mrs. Libby Latiff on Tuesday, December 13, with seven members present.

Mrs. Gloer was in charge of the Devotional. The members observed one minute's silence in memory of Mrs. Fred Wise, who had been a valued member of the W.A.

It was decided the Mystery Mother of the Explorers would supply the refreshments for the Explorer party to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Miller on Monday evening, December 19.

Due to the very small attendance election of officers had to be postponed until the January meeting.

Mrs. Latiff and Mrs. Bessie Siler served refreshments.

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Bill Christensen recently returned from Billings, Montana, where he had attended a convention of the Flying Farmers of America.

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J. WORTHINGTON
Sales Phone 18 — Service CHAMPION
INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER

Season's Greetings

CHRISTMAS came from a light that glowed in a manger, shone in a star and illuminated the soul of humanity. Let us again rededicate ourselves to Peace on Earth—Good Will Towards Men.

Warm Christmas Wishes
From all of us to all of you

It has been a pleasure to be of service to you during the past year . . . and we hope that your Christmas will be one of inner peace and outward merriment . . . that your New Year will be a full year of happy achievement.

Champion Groceteria
CHAMPION, Alta.

CHAMPION THEATRE
Saturday, Dec. 24th
FREE SHOW
AT 2:00 P.M.
Sponsored by the Champion Lions Club

"KENTUCKY"
-starring-
LORETTA YOUNG
RICHARD GREENE
WALTER BRENNAN

In Technicolor
Family Entertainment

Note: There will not be a show in the evening. Everybody is welcome to attend the free afternoon show.

DANCE

CHAMPION
Community Hall
Mon., Dec. 26
FRASER'S ORCHESTRA
Admission $1.00 per person

We wish to take this opportunity to wish our many customers, one and all
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

CHAMPION SUNDRIES
GEO. MOSES
CHAMPION Alberta

To All Our Friends and Customers of Town and District we extend our warmest greetings.
May the holiday season be one of joy and happiness in your home, and the new year bring health and happiness to you and yours

HARRIS MOTORS
CHAMPION
W. I. Harris and Staff

We take this opportunity to extend to the people of Champion and district our appreciation of their patronage and to wish everyone a
VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Jim's Body Shop
Jim Buchan and Son
CHAMPION Alberta

NÖEL

Season's Greetings

We always look forward to this time of year when we have the opportunity to wish you all
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
A HAPPY NEW YEAR
and to thank you sincerely for your appreciated patronage

Beaver (Alta) Lumber Ltd.
O. H. Schneider, Local Manager
CHAMPION, ALTA.

As we approach this joyful season of the year we wish to take this opportunity to thank all our customers for their good will and patronage throughout the year and to wish everyone

A Very Merry Christmas
and a
Happy, Prosperous New Year

Champion Electric & Plumbing
Stan Matlock and Staff
Phone 16 CHAMPION

DANCE
New Year's Midnight Frolic

Novelties and Favors for all
CHAMPION
Community Hall
One Minute After Midnight
NEW YEAR'S NIGHT
JAN. 1st, 1956
FRASER'S ORCHESTRA
$1.00 per person

At this season of Good Cheer we wish to express our appreciation of your friendship and patronage and to extend our best wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ALLON & McLEOD
CHAMPION, Alta.
Phone 34

At this happiest season of the year we would like to express our appreciation of your patronage and extend to you our sincere wishes for a Merry, Merry Christmas, and Health, Happiness and Prosperity in the New Year

Champion Meat Market and Lockers
Michael Kelly and Staff CHAMPION

Season's Greetings

to all our customers and friends.

As another year draws to a close we want to express our appreciation of your patronage and wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year

COLLIER HARDWARE

CARMANGAY, ALTA.

WITH SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR THE FRIENDLINESS THAT HAS MARKED OUR BUSINESS RELATIONS. WE WISH YOU

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND

A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

J. A .HUBKA

Hubka Sales & Service

- CARMANGAY -

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—Imperial Oil Products—

Best Wishes

At this traditional season of the year we are glad of the opportunity to thank all our friends and customers for their patronage.

We extend to everyone in the town and district our cordial wish for a

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

Taylor's Store, Carmangay

PAT, DONALD AND DON

Carmangay

Patients in the local hospital this week are Mrs. Frank, Mrs. Alpine Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Robinson, Dennis Dean, Gaye Plourd and Patricia Hubka.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Allan McLeod and family in the recent death of Mr. Allan McLeod on Dec. 21 in the Carmangay hospital.

The ladies of the Priscilla Club entertained their husbands and families at their Annual Christmas party on Saturday. Games and cards were played. A potluck supper was served. Treats and gifts were presented to the children. A very enjoyable time was had by all.

A wedding dance was held on Wednesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Ohler. The couple were presented with blond coffee table and an end table to match from their many friends.

Mrs. J. Korth spent the weekend in Calgary visiting with relatives.

The annual Christmas concert was held at Burwash on Dec. 17. Despite the cold night there was a very large crowd out to witness the performances by the young fry of the district. It was a most enjoyable evening. After Santa arrived popcorn balls and japanese oranges were passed to everyone.

The Felicity Club held their December meeting at the home of Lois Schultz with 11 members present. Plans were made for the Christmas program to be held on Friday, Dec. 18. The entertainment was provided by Thelma Jensen and the prize was won by Evie Long. The next meeting will be at the home of Edith Griffen on January 4, roll call being a New Year's resolution.

The annual Christmas party was held on Saturday with about 125 preesnt. A potluck supper was held. Games were played. Santa then presented the gifts.

Sunday School and church will be combined for the Christmas Service at 11 o'clock.

The installation of the officers of the Heather Chapter was held on Wednesday, Dec. 14. They are as follows: Worthy Matron, Sister F. White; Worthy Patron, Brother E. Irwin; Assistant Matron, Sister McGinnis; Assistant Patron, Brother Stan Gustafson; Secretary, Sister M. Thompson; Treasurer, Sister M. Roberts; Conductress, Sister A. Shearer; Assistant Conductress, Sister H. Teskey; Chaplain, Sister B. Gustafson; Marshall, Sister M. Roemmele; Organist, Sister L. Baldwin; Adah, Sister H. Lyckman; Ruth, Sister J. Kotkas; Esther, Sister G. Ronney; Martha, Sister A. Irwin; Electa, Sister I. Benson; Warder, Sister E. Collier Sentinel, Sister A. Knight. A Christmas Party was held after the business of the meeting and gifts were exchanged.

The Carmangay CGIT held their Christmas Vesper Service on Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m. There was a very good attendance in spite of the extremely cold weather. The offering will be sent to the CGIT. Committee for the Canadian Council of Churches, Toronto.

The CGIT held their regular meeting Monday, Dec. 19 with 11 members present. Due to unforeseen circumstances they were unable to trim the tree and decorate the kindergarten room for Christmas. After games they enjoyed a delicious potluck supper and exchange of gifts.

The Explorers held their regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 12. After the business meeting a skating party was held. Lunch was served after at the home of Mrs. J. Korth.

Home Economist's Letter

By Jacqueline Donaldson
Home Economist, Claresholm

Home Freezing of Meat

Choose meats of top quality for freezing. A medium covering of fat prevents drying of lean part during storage. Fat also indicates better quality meat if it is white and crisp. Meat may be aged or ripened for freezing in a well ventilated room at temperature of 32° to 38° F to increase flavor. Age meat from 3-6 days. Do not age poultry, fish, pork or veal. Once your meat has been cut into family cuts package it as promptly as possible. If meat is cut and cannot be frozen immediately, refrigerate until you can care for it. Most important is that the meat be wrapped with good quality wrapping paper. Polythene, heavy aluminum foil or MST cellophane, Mastex with an overwrap are generally recommended. These wraps are more expensive than the type ordinarily used — but this is amply justified through the shrinkage and rancidity prevented by their use. Fresh meat quality and appearance are also better retained by the use of better quality wraps. The drugstore wrap has been found to be the most vapor-moisture proof type of wrap.

Roasts—

May be boned to save valuable storage space.

Ground Meats—

It is best to freeze ground meats without adding salt. Seasoned sausage should not be kept too long as salt shortens storage life.

Smoked Meats—

Wrap smoked meats tightly to prevent drying and the transfer of smoked odor to other foods. If meat is fully cured it will keep by hanging in a cool, dry, dark room for 6 months or longer. You may want to use your freezer space for other foods.

Steaks and Cohps—

Separate pieces with two sheets of freezer paper so they will be easy to get apart—you may do this with hamburgers, too.

Variety Meats—

Prepare liver, heart, kidneys, etc. as soon as they are chilled. Cut liver into slices of desired thickness. Separate slices with two sheets of freezer paper and package flat. Other variety meats may be packaged in cartons. Remove excess fat from heart and kidneys.

DO NOT try to freeze too much meat at once. Freeze the amount that can be placed on the bottom and against the side walls near coils leaving space between packages for air circulation. You can freeze approximately the following quantities at one time in your freezer—6 cu. ft. freezer can freeze 30 to 40 lbs. of food; 9 cu. ft., 50-65 lbs.; 14.5 cu. ft, 80-90 lbs.; 20 cu. ft., 100-110 lbs. Allow 12 hours or more to freeze a load before freezing another. If food freezes in about 12 hours the freezing rate is satisfactory. Smaller loads take less time and can be added more frequently.

Champion News

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The Catholic Women's League held its annual Christmas party at the Community hall on December 16 for the children of the parish. The three Catechism classes provided a very enjoyable program. Fifty three candy bags were passed out.

Sympathy of the town and district is extended to John Worthington in his bereavement. His father passed away suddenly at his farm home at Didsbury, Saturday evening, December 17.

The Sunday School classes of the United Church held their Christmas concert Sunday evening at the Church. The Primary class opened the concert with each grade contributing toward the concert with recitation and song. The Senior classes presented the Christmas Pageant. The congregation joined in the lovely old hymns that were sung. After the concert the children were invited down to the Church Parlors where the Tree with all its gifts and candies was the highlight of the evening. Candy bags were given out to all the children.

Crankshafts Ground without removing the motor

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Unemployment Act Simplified

Under Canada's new Unemployment Insurace Act, which became effective on October 2nd, the provisions regarding allowable earnings, the non-compensable day, the waiting period, part-time and short time work, and subsidiary employment have been greatly simplified.

These provisions were originally made with two aims in view. First, in regard to the non-compensable day and the waiting period, it was felt that the worker should assume part of the risk, much along the same lines as the "deductible" provisions in automobile insurance. Second, in regard to allowable earnings, it was felt that the worker should be encouraged to supplement his unemployment benefits, and yet, at the same time, he should be restricted to the extent that his allowable earnings plus his benefits would not exceed his ordinary pay while at work.

Unfortunately, it was extremely difficult to administer these provisions and even more difficult to explain them. The new Act goes a long way towards simplifying matters.

What the new Act does is eliminate the non compensable day, modify the rule regarding subsidiary earnings, and introduce a scale of allowable earnings related to the ordinary earnings of the worker in the period before his claim.

Railroad Hazards For Juveniles

Hazards faced by children who play in or around railway property will be brought forcibly to the attention of school children, who reside in nearly every City, Town and village served by the Canadian Pacific Railway in the province of Alberta, in the near future, by means of a series of short, illustrated safety talks presented by the Canadian Pacific Railway's Investigation Department.

No branch of the railway is more concerned with the risks confronting youngsters, who innocently or wantonly endanger their lives and limbs by playing in railway yards or walking tracks, than the railway police force, which considers the protection of human life and safety as important as the protection of the company's property; no branch of the railway is better qualified to talk about it.

Inspector H. W. Lambert, head of the CPR Investigation Department in the Alberta District, addresses ths appeal to the public:

"We are asking your help in keeping children from needlessly risking life and limb by using railway tracks and yards as a playground. We are also asking your co-operation in our educational campaign to prevent injuries to railway passengers and employees, and damage to railway property and equipment through the thoughtless acts of children. Serious accidents have resulted from throwing stones at trains, by placing obstructions on tracks, and by tampering with switches and signals.

As parents, guardians or simply as friends of children, you can do your part by teaching youngsters the dangers of playing on the right-of-way, or interfering with the operations of trains. Without your whole-hearted support and co-operation, our task of protecting the young from their inexperience and thoughtlessness will be very difficult. Will you help us to safeguard the lives and limbs of the children and prevent accidents to others using our railway? Insist that your children 'Play Safely and Keep Off the Tracks.'

For the past three years the Department of Investigation as representatives of the CPR, has conducted an intensive campaign in the support of juvenile safety with special regard to railway operations and property.

With the whole-hearted support of parents, teachers and the majority of students, together with the Press, Radio and Safety organizations, Parents and Teachers Association, Home and School Associations, our efforts have been rewarded by the fact that in the years 1953, 1954 and to date in 1955, no juvenile has been killed, or seriously injured, in Alberta as a result of an accident involving railway equipment or property.

For the second year in succession the CPR has been voted the International Award of the National Safety Council, Chicago, Ill., for Public Safety Activities.

However gratifying the results may have been, together with the appreciation shown for our combined efforts, the CPR realizes only too well that each year a new generation of children is growing up and that as they grow they are subject to all the hazards of childhood, especially on their way to and from school, and at play. This campaign is aimed to alert the parents and children and thus remove as many of these hazards as possible. Despite the time, effort and expense involved, the Company feels that if only one child's life is saved, or an injury averted, this is the greatest award that can be earned."

Commercial Printing

The Advocate
Phone 36, Vulcan

Foothills League HOCKEY

VULCAN ARENA

Thursday, Dec. 22 at 8:30 p.m.

Fort Macleod vs. Vulcan

Christmas Cheer to All!

May we express to you our appreciation of your good-will and patronage during the past year.

May you all enjoy the Merriest Christmas and the Happiest New Year you have ever known.

B. ROBERTSON

John Deere Dealer

CARMANGAY — ALBERTA

AS THE year 1955 draws to a close we take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of your patronage and goodwill. May you and yours enjoy a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous, Happy 1956.

Carmangay Motor Co.

Phone 44 CARMANGAY

Best Wishes

To everyone, everywhere our sincere Best Wishes

We welcome the opportunity the holiday season offers to express our appreciation of the patronage and goodwill of our many customers and friends throughout the county. A Merry Christmas to you and yours and every good wish for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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Vulcan Alberta

Minister: Reverend J. S. Clarke

Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25th

Christmas Greetings to you all

MORNING SERVICE ONLY AT 11 A.M.
A Service for Dad, the Children and their Toys.

"For unto us a Son is born, unto us a Son is Given".

The Church of the Open Door

Business builds more than factories and merchandise, it builds FAITH, CONFIDENCE and VALUED FRIENDSHIPS, and we feel that your GOODWILL means these to us.

Today we extend to you and yours sincerest GOOD WISHES for the CHRISTMAS SEASON and throughout the COMING NEW YEAR.

Revelstoke SAWMILL CO. Ltd
Phone 37 VULCAN, ALTA.

District News

BRANT

Home and School Assoc.

About 20 members attended the December meeting of Brant Home and School. The main business of the evening was deciding on a project for the year. It was finally decided to run the skating rink for another year and to organize the children of the district for swimming lessons next summer. Pat Gallagher agreed to head a committee in charge of getting the skating rink ready to use.

Reports on the conference held in High River in October were given by Mrs. Jorstead, Mrs. Knapp and Mrs. Gallagher. A committee of four was set up to look after the treats for the Christmas concert.

The secretary was asked to send get well wishes to Mr. Lowe, grade 5 and 6 teacher, who has been in the hospital and is now convalescing at his home in Calgary.

The program, called Parents-Teachers Night, consisted of the teachers of Grade 1 to 9 explaining the curriculum of their respective grades.

The evening closed with a delicious lunch served by four Ensign ladies, Mrs. Howlett, Mrs. Zebedee, Mrs. Hagen and Mrs. Kennedy.

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The Parents Association of Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs was postponed due to the cold weather. Next meeting will be held in January.

The popular New Year's dance will be held Sunday night as advertised.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Ferguson and children motored to Calgary to shop on Wednesday.

Mrs. B. F. Sellars was a Calgary visitor for four days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Druhal motored to Calgary on Saturday to shop.

Delegate Sam Brown and Fieldman Norman Bell of the Alberta Wheat Pool gave a very interesting and informative talks at the Wheat Pool meeting on Friday afternoon. Free show and coffee and doughnuts were served, with a fair representation of the farmers from the district present.

Art McLean accompanied Bob Sellars home for the weekend.

A fair number of square dancers at the Square Dance Friday evening were from Denton, Ensign, Vulcan, Blackie and Brant. The Brant ladies furnished lunch and coffee.

Special Christmas music on Christmas morning at the United Church with the children from Sunday school taking part and Rev. McKelvey' Xmas message.

HERRONTON

Community Club

The December meeting of the Herronton Community Club was held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Richardson with 14 members and one visitor present. More discussion took place on the 25th anniversary dance on Dec. 30. It was decided to have novelties and that dress can be optional.

Election of officers for next year took place with: President, Mrs. Anna Maisey; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Kathrine Cooke; Secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Sewell; Social Convener, Mrs. Millicent Stewart.

The 'Nickle Draw' was won by Mrs. Anna Maisey. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Sewell with Mrs. Shirley Sewell and Mrs. Mabel Davies serving. The ladies then exchanged Xmas gifts.

A delicious lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Shirley Sewell, Mrs. Dorothy Sewell and Mrs. Mabel Davies.

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On Thursday evening the Alberta Wheat Pool held their meeting at the hall. Mr. Bell showed films. Sam Brown, local delegate, gave his report and a film for the children was shown. A question period and general discussion took place and lunch was served to those present by the ladies of the Community Club.

Crankshafts Ground without removing the motor

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POLAR DEBUT

First naval vessel to circle North America is HMCS *Labrador*, which recently made its way through polar seas from Atlantic to Pacific. We're proud that the three specially built landing craft she carried to ferry men and supplies to Arctic shore bases were made of welded aluminum —and that they did the job.

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The holiday season brings an opportunity to thank our many customers and friends for their patronage during the past year and to wish all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

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E. H. Marsh

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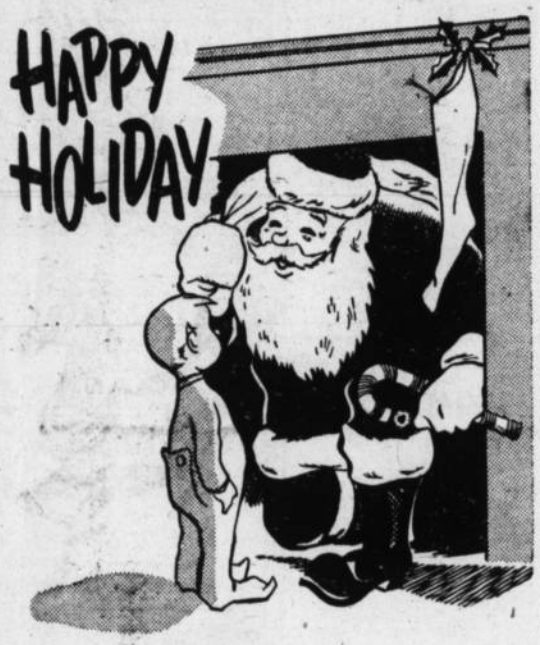
TO ALL OUR Mail Order Friends-
A Joyous Christmas AND A Happy New Year



And the season's greetings.

Vulcan Electric Co.
R. J. Buehler and Staff

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'Tis the Season to be Jolly

We wish you a good Old-fashioned Merry Christmas
May your home echo with the merry warmth of laughter and the hearty ring of gaiety.
May the coming year bring you every measure of health, happiness and prosperity.

Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

Bill Richardson — Lawrence Richardson
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A Most Merry Christmas Season Be Yours

Another year will soon have rolled by and we take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation to all our customers and extending best wishes to everyone for a very Happy New Year.

MacDonald's Electric
A. W. MacDonald

To all our friends, both old and new.

MACLEOD'S AUTHORIZED DEALER
Phone 332 VULCAN

Season's Greetings

. . . from our store to you. We thank you for your kind patronage during the past year and wish you and yours the very best for the coming year.

BURLEY'S STORE

BRANT, ALTA. Phone 322

- With appreciation of your goodwill and patronage during the past twelve months, we take this opportunity to send you our best wishes.
- As Christmas and the New Year come again, may they find and keep you rich in happiness.

Ferguson's Supply

BRANT, ALTA.

Merry Christmas

- WE WISH TO EXTEND THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS AND EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION OF YOUR PATRONAGE DURING THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS.

Black's RED & WHITE Store

- MILO -

Christmas is a thousand things

IT'S a winter's night, and an angel song . . . a giant star, and a tiny stable . . . a manger, and straw, and swaddling clothes.

Christmas is a chime . . . a boy soprano, and *Silent Night* . . . carolers, and *The First Noel* . . the tinkle of a bell on a sleigh, of a coin in a cup.

Christmas is Dickens, and Scrooge, and Tiny Tim. It's holly on the door, a candle in the window . . . the scent of pine, and the sparkle of tinsel.

Christmas is red and green, and blue and silver. Christmas is white.

Christmas is cards, and ribbon, and tissue paper. It's a trip home, an open latch, and a handclasp. It's giblets, and biscuits . . . cranberries, and mincemeat pie.

Christmas is cold and warmth . . forgiveness, and a smile.

Christmas is a *prayer* . . . a renewed plea for an ancient hope . . . *For Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men.*

JESSE & EMELSON

Service and Sales

PHONE 50 VULCAN, ALBERTA

Copr. John Deere

Early History of North-East District Is Interesting

(Compiled by P. J. Haslam)

Hearnleigh and Berrywater are situated around 40 miles East of High River which at the time of settlement was the nearest town, although stores were located at Hicksburg which was a few miles West of McKinnon's corner, and at Brant which was North of the present village of Brant and 20 miles from High River which all supplies were hauled by a big covered freight wagon and six horses. There was also a store at Loma, west of the present Corner Store, and run by Mr. Elliot.

The N.W.M.P. had a post at Reid Hill and later a store was located there, run by Mr. Reid, followed by Mr. Cooper.

The nearest doctor was at High River and the nearest hospitals were at Calgary and Lethbridge. Transportation was by wagon, buggy, democrat or on saddle horse.

Hign River in 1905 was a flourishing town drawing trade from 40 miles east and also west to the mountains. There was a big trading store run by an old time trader named Joe Limoges, there being room in the store yard to tie up 40 teams. Four hotels provided accommodation, the St. George, the Oxford, now called the Gateway and still operating, the Astoria a log building, is now known as the Freeman Rooms, also the Alberta, which burned down. There was also Buck Smith's Boarding house. Livery barns numbered five one called the Economy, located east of the track, was run by a salty character called the 'Drag,' accomodations being provided for both men and horses.

The settlement of the Berrywater and Hearnleigh districts started around 1906. Before that this area was open range on which cattle and horses grazed until gathered by the round up wagons. The ranchers in the immediate vicinity were Romaine Gervais, located near a spring on the place now occupied by Alvin Jacobson, The buildings were log shacks, the logs being hauled from the foothills, some corrals and a small barn. Gervais also ran cattle for George Findley of High River. The Beaton Bros., Dan and Neil ran a horse ranch northwest of the Corner Store. Neil had worked for the famous Powder River Cattle Co. in Wyoming. Shay had a small cattle outfit too. William Hill and sons Frank, Bill, and Bob ran cattle from their present location in the Buffalo Hills. Dick Wallace ran a bunch of horses from a camp located on the present Douglass place .George Hoadley had a camp where Jack Smith now lives and ran horses which were looked after by a man named Pete Rolz. R. E. Brodrick ran cattle and horses in the Buffalo Hills. Arthur Bond and Henry Willard had horse outfits in the Buffalo Hills and sold horses to settlers.

Doug and Shorty Hardwick were across Snake Valley in the Rocky Buttes and ran cattle. Snake Valley is now Lake MacGregor and Bryant ran cattle west of the valley. Brown and Circle ranches ran cattle where Queenstown now is and the McHough outfit had a horse ranch there also. Browns were the oldest settlers in the country having settled in their present location in 1886 or '7, coming direct from Scotland.

The Circle ranch was an offshoot from a big ranching outfit in the Western States and was managed by Howell Harris, a noted trader and frontierman of the early days. The foreman was Calhoun.

The original settlers of the district were the Richardsons in 1906, Ed. Hearne in 1906, who lived where Lloyd Richardson now lives and ran the Hearnleigh Post Office, hauling the mail from Brant a distance of 20 miles, making the trip twice a week winter and summer by team and democrat.

Wilson Oldfield, Malcolm Sinclair and family, Angus and John Sinclair, Arthur Myers and family, Harry Amey, William Robson and family, all located in 1906 followed in 1907 and 1908 by William and Alf Houghton, David Mills and wife, Tom Blair and wife, George Leahey and family, Arthur Wells, John Douglass and family, Lew, Harry, Ed, Mary and Hazel Douglass, Jake Hoffman, Kell Andrews, Shultz, the Baden family, Hugh and Gladys still here, Arthur Noble, Fred Noble, David Sim, P. J. Haslam, Hopkins family, McWhinnie family, Jack McKenzie, Jack McLean, Virdon Adair, Ed. Donaldson, Martin family, Herb Campbell, Isa Campbell, Neil Campbell, Bill Campbell, Ed. O'Neill, Virtue family, Jim Stein, Dave McMullen, Pete Story, Spikeekin, Labin Eam or, Wesley McKenzie, Lynn Oldfield.

Further east were Herman Spankie and Ed Ellison and south, Cummins, Bryant, Ed Armey, McRoberts Bros., Alec McIntyre, Synge Bros., Ed and Neil, Bradleys, Walkers, Gus Johnk, Bliss Doncaster, Guengerich, Adams, Parry, Northcott family, Fearnleigh, Pete McIntyre, Lee's, DeWitt's, John Pase, Dave McIntyre, Jack and Jim Marshall, Geo. Wainwright, Ainswort Stead and Corbit, Jim and Ben Dann, and the George Smith family.

South were Bateman and Hayes, Nafziger brothers, Mensingers, Chapman, Elves, Forsyth, Jim Dew, the Davis family, Jacobsons and Parslows, George and Bob Todd, O. H. and Everett McPherson, and the Robson family and Hansens.

North were Spiller, Baldwin, Marshall, Gorman, Brodericks, K. Nelson, Carruthers, Gus Limoges, Hunter, Phelan, Wyatt, Blainey, Ryan brothers, Goldthorpe, Bond, Willard, Hills, Munsey, Gooch, William McGirr, Starling, Hannigan, House, Blanchard, Engenaur, Wallace brothers, Parris Ollife, Cockwell, Cuffe brothers, Frank McInenly and brothers, who settled in the Buffalo Hills in 1900, and Burgess.

West: Trapper Hill, Dean, Brent MacLeod, McMullens, Esters, Doans, Ferris, Miller and Bob White, Alec Bowie, Jurneys, Billy Peterson, Snows, Loves and Fultons, Eamors, Campbells, Rushfeldts, Steiners, Shays, Hicks, Blake McCullegh, Stagers, Irvings, McFarlane and Ward.

Most of the settlers worked out part of the year to get some cash, either on farms or ranches or in the sawmills at High River for the Lineman Co. which also ran a bush camp 60 miles west of High River. The sawmill at High River was located on the river west of theb ridge. It processed lumber and provided slabs for firewood. Lumber was from 12 to 15 dollars a thousand foot and slabs were 5 dollars a load. Firewood, all you could get on a 3 box wagon for 2 or 3 dollars.

Incidentally, if you worked in the bush camp you rode in with the freight team, but if you quit, you walked out 60 miles. Wages were 20 to 25 dollars a month. Work could be secured on the river log drive on High River getting logs down the river from the bush camp to the mill.

In 1910 the Canada Land and Irrigation Co. started work, the ditch taking water out of the Bow River and building a dam at both ends of Snake Valley to form Lake McGregor. Lots of settlers worked on the ditch and dam, also a lot whose homesteads were near the dam dug rock on their land and hauled it to the dam for so much a yard. As 1910 was a very dry year and there was no crop, the chance to earn cash was taken advantage of by most who could do so. The wages were 3 dollars a day for a man and 3 horses, plus board for man and horses.

The first threshing machine outfit in the district was owned by Robert Love, grandfather of the Love family now residing in the district. This was afterwards taken over by the Buffalo Hills Syndicate composed of farmer shareholders. Jurney's owned a big steam outfit and did custom ploughing and threshing. John Base and the Hudson brothers also had a big steam outfit.

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Vulcan — — Alberta

History of N. E. District

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The Berrywater district was named after the Berrywater School which got its name from Waterberry Lake located between the Mart Hoffman and Donald Smith farms. The school was built in 1910. On the 3rd day of May, 1909, there being the requisite number of children of school age, it was decided by the settlers to form a school district. The meeting was called by Arthur Myers and the first trustees elected were George Leahey, Arthur Myers and Kell Andrews, with Wm. Robson as secretary - treas. At the second school meeting in May, 1909 it was decided to borrow $1800 by debenture to erect and furnish the school and build a stable. A further $500 was borowed in 1911. The 3rd meeting was on June 2nd, 1909. At this meeting the school site of two acres was puchased from Mr. Main for 15 dollars an acre and tenders called for in the High River Times for the erection of the school and the hauling of the material from High River. Malcolm Sinclair was awarded the hauling of the lumber and bricks, Tom and Alec Robson the contract for the erection of the building, the school to to be ready by Oct. 1st, 1909 for occupation. The first annual meeting of the school district was held on January 14, 1910. On the 10th day of March Miss Isa Campbell from Ontario, now Mrs. Wilson Oldfield, was engaged to start teaching on the 4th of April, 1910 at a salary of $60 per month. The school ran for 31 years, 1910 to 1941 in which time there were 16 teachers; Miss Isa Campbell, Mr McKenzie, Miss May Leahey, Mrs. Nunneley, Miss Turnbull, Miss Pickard, Miss Gilhooly, Miss Calder, Miss Kelly Miss Wainwright, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Boulter, Miss Nellie Douglass, Miss Ethel Campbell, Mrs. Henderson Miss Mable Lawrence. The secretaries during the years from 1910 to 1941 were Wm. Robson, Francis Baden, Arthur Noble and P. J. Haslam.

The Union Jack, Buffalo Hill and Mayview schools, were also early schools in the district. Herb Campbell was the first teacher at Union Jack, followed by Bell Oldfield. Dr. Carson taught at the Buffalo Hill school and a Mr. Pretty at Mayview. Mayview school was situated further west than it was in later years.

The school houses were the center of community life and some kind of entertainment was held at one of them every Friday evening, mostly dances. Other amusements were baseball and football and sports days at High River and Brant. The Buffalo Hill football team was well known. The trail to High River was not fenced all of the way and followed the path of the least resistance over hill and dale. One noted feature was the alkali flats on the east side of old Brant, mosquitoes and bog holes that could not be surpassed. Also there were numerous bog holes around the big lake east of High River so that a person had probably to unload and load up again two or three times on the way out. It generally took three days, one to go in and one to load up and one or two to come out. Most people were very hospitable and would put you up over night on the trail. Everybody packed a bed roll.

At Frankburg between High River and Brant there was a Mormon settlement where you could see all the big prairie schooners they had travelled overland from the States in.

Trapper Hill was a notable character among the early settlers. He lived in a dugout on the land opposite the Union Jack school, the place now occupied by George Gooch. He was a bachelor who had lived in Wyoming and other western States. He travelled around in a covered wagon drawn by two pinto cayuses and always had a rifle handy.

The first UFA meeting to organize a local was called at the Berrywater school house Nov. 9th, 1910. Dave Sim was the first president; Hugh Baden vice-president, and Tom Robson, secretary-treasurer. Others present were Verdin Adai, Joe Richardson, Francis Baden, Ed O'Neil, Harry Amey, Alec Iobson Hugh Baden and P. J. Haslam The members at that time were Dave Sim, Verdin Adair, P. J. Haslam, Wm Houghton, Alf Hough ton, Harry Amey, John Sinclair, Alec Robson, Jack and Tom Robson, Charlie Carruthers, Ed Hearn, John Douglass, Wilson Oldfield, Joe Richardson, Francis and Hugh Baden and Wm. McGirr.

The first UFA convention was held in the Assembly room, City hall, Calgary, on January 18 and 19, 1911. Mr. Sim was appointed to go as a delegate. The city hall was not the imposing building it is now, it was a long wooden building which looked like a barn.

The first form of local government was an improvement district and Jim Phelan, Malcolm Sinclair and Robert Love were some of the first councillors and Ollie was the first secretary-treasurer. When the municipality of Marquis was formed among the first councillors were Arthur Bond, D. B. Sim. George McComber was the first reeve. The first secretary was Mr. McKenzie, followed by R. E. House, then Jack McLean. The first returning officer was T. Beckner and the first weed inspector, Charles Houghtellin. The first meetings were held at Lake McGregor school.

Church services did not follow any particular denomination. At first the Brethren held some services at Berrywater and later on student missionaries who travelled the country on saddle horses were located at some point, probably Brant, and arranged services at school houses or private homes, maybe once a month.

The seat of government until Sept. 1905, was at Regina as Alberta and Saskatchewan were the Northwest Territories and governed by a territorial council. In Sept., 1905 the province of Alberta was formed and was governed by Provincial Legislature and Edmonton was chosen as the capitol and seat of government. The members were either Conservative or Liberal. The immediate district was reprsented at various times by L. Roberts, Liberal, High River Estate Agent; McDonald, Conservative, Calgary grocer; McNaughton, Liberal, Carmangay hardware merchant. George Hoadley who had a horse ranch in the district was Minister of Agriculture in the Conservative government. His constituency was Okotoks.

The railroad came to Vulcan in 1911 and from then on the shipping point and nearest town was Vulcan. The first store keepers and Postmaster were the Elves brothers. Other businessmen were D. C. Jones, drug store; Flood and Elves, real estate; Bob Dodds, Connelley and Chris Christensen, livery barns; E. Mutz, Vulcan hotel; Mertis Boarding and Eating house; Lebow and McQueen, blacksmith shops; A. J. Spooner, gents furnishings; Wolfe and Pettman, hardware merchants; Syd Northcott, barber; Reeves, grocery store with Dyce Allan as assistant; Gus Johnson, butcher shop; Lindsay, hardware merchant and J.P.; Wm. Butchart, tinsmith; Mayor Roy Walker, machine agent; W. Jenijohn, Ford garage; Guy Denbigh, machine shop; Barney Lommatzsch, farmer Co-operative; Terwilliger and Chet Wallace, Grain Elevators; Smart Baker and Joe Collier, harness maker; L. H. Stack, Lawyer.

One of the earliest Vulcan school principals was W. A. Howes. The first bank was the Bank of Hamilton with W. A. Trail as manager. W. K. Allan was the first preacher; Mr. Craig was one of the first CPR agents and Harper was one of the first R.N.W.M.P.

Early doctors were Dr. G. M. Carson, Dr. C. Galbraith and Dr. Knowles. Jack Thompson was an early auctioneer with Cyril Nelson as his assistant

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District News

BLACKIE

Fire at Church

A fire broke out in the basement of the Full Gospel Church on Sunday morning about 11:30 a.m. It was caused from an over-heated stovepipe and burned the basement walls and caused extensive damage to the electric wiring. The heating system of the church was a coal circulating heater and was only a temporary arrangement. There was no insurance.

The fire occurred during church services and was first noticed by the wife of the pastor, Mrs. S. Hollands. Harold Robinson gave the alarm with the town people responding to the call. The fire had been burning about fifteen minutes when the town fire equipment arrived and took about one-half hour to extinguish.

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Home and School

The Blackie Home and School Association held a special Christmas meeting on Tuesday evening in the school with a good attendance of members and visitors present. The President read articles about libraries and there is to be further investigation about grants to school libraries.

It was decided that the project for the Home and School would be a library for the school and a good start to this end was met when those present presented a number of books they had brought in place of tea money. More record books are badly needed and also there was a suggestion that there be the Britannica Junior Enclycopaedia. It was also mentioned that books by Alberta writers would be most welcome. Money making projects suggested to help purchase books were Ice Carnival, Box Social, Amateur Program and others. Further discussion of this was left until the January meeting.

The treasurer gave the financial report.

Miss B. Hammer suggested that coupons be collected for the Red Cross, the ones mentioned as being valuable to them being Nabob, Blue Ribbon, Sonny Boy, Popsicle Pete and Princess Pat.

Mrs. B. Christofferson announced that since the next month is Health month, the program will be on this subject and if possible, there will be a dentist as guest speaker.

Jim Stier was in charge of entertainment and conducted a program of Christmas in other lands. Mrs. A. McLean read an opening Christmas story; C. Parker read about Christmas in England; Mrs. P. Husby told about Scotland; Mrs. G. Sency about Holland; and Mrs. J. Ririe about Sweden. Norman Russel read the Christmas Story from the Bible.

A choir of Misses B. Hammer, M. Weerstra, N. Wiigs, M. Norman, Mrs. N. Knight and Mr. P. Husby sang carols of the different lands. Mrs. A. Nelson was pianist.

The program closed with the congregation singing 'Silent Night', followed by a lovely lunch served by the lunch committee.

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Annual Christmas Service

The Blackie Auditorium was filled to capacity for the Annual Christmas Service of the combined congregations of Blackie, Gladys and Farrow, on Sunday afternoon.

The program opened with the congregation singing carols, and was followed by the Call to Worship. Singing as a quartette were Messrs. Gerald and David Randle, Roy and Earl Meadows. There was a duet by Mrs. J. Anderson and Mrs. N. Knight.

Rev. Norman Knight told the story 'Martin the Gobbler.'

After an interval, the combined choir under the direction of Mrs. Paul Randle presented 'The Choir of Bethlehem,' a Christmas Cantata by Noel Benson. There were 10 numbers in this division.

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Rebekah Lodge

The new slate of officers of the Rebekah Lodge are: Noble Grand, Mrs. Helen Westersund; Vice-Grand, Mrs. Mary Bertschy; Secretary, Mrs. Mable Davies; Treasurer, Mrs. Ann Wooldridge and Secretary, Mrs. Joan Bricker. The ladies will travel to Cayley in January for the installation of the new officers.

Miss Eva Jacobsen of Milo will be here in January to talk on her trip to the United Nations in New York last July.

With The District Agriculturist

Hugh Michael

Another Year Passes

As we approach the few remaining days of the old year, many of us will pause to think back. Memories will be happy and sad, of accomplishments and frustration, for such is the route of the average individuals journey through the years. Many will remember 1955 as a year of wheat surpluses and marketing difficulties. As Mr. J. E. Brownlee, Q.C. stated at a recent meeting held at Clareshol,m we are passing through another crisis, which will eventually dissolve itself into memories as other crisis' before it. In the meantime every farmer is carefully examining his own particular operation to determine other possible uses for his resources. There will be a decided increase in the acreage seeded to other crops than wheat during the coming year. Grasses and legumes will figure prominently in this acreage. I don't think there are many who will argue that this practise is not beneficial to soil fertility and its production potential. Which in turn will eventually benefit the farm operator. In this area where we are blessed with a fertile soil, and a high percentage of efficient operators who are free to make their own decisions, I believe we should look to the future with confidence.

As 1955 draws to a close I look back on many pleasant opportunities I have had of working with you and for you. During 1956 it is my sincere hope that our relations will continue on the same congenial ad mutually worthwhile basis. At this time we would like to wish all the individuals and organizations with whom we have been associated a Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for the coming year.

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Strange phaseology is very good if you manage to do this one without a bobble: "Beside a cemetery near the seminary sat an embarrassed peddler and a harrased cobble, gnawing on a dessicated potato and grazing at the symetry of a lady's ankle with unparalled ecstasy."

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That no could say of His raiment,
"Christ's garments were better than mine."

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District News

ARROWWOOD

The Arrowwood Booster Club held their annual Christmas party on Wednesday in the Club Room of the hall. A variety of games were played, followed by a delicious turkey supper and everyone reported having had a good time.

The Arrowwood UFA and FWUA groups met at the hall on Tuesday. After a potluck dinner was enjoyed, a meeting was held and delegates from the convention held in Edmonton last week, gave their reports.

The Lions Club held their regular meeting on Thursday night in the Club Room at the hall. It was decided to sponsor a hockey game on Dec. 27th, at 8:00 p.m., with the Arrowwood Juniors vs. Oldtimers, at the skating rink. Don't forget the date!

The Ladies Aid of the Church of the Brethren held their Christmas Tea on Wednesday. Mrs. W. McDaniel was chairman for the program which consisted of a vocal duet by Elizabeth McDaniel and Maureen Setters; a recitation by Julie Williams; vocal duet by Grace and Lorene McDaniel; piano duet by Linda and Nadine Armey; vocal solo by Mrs. C. Williams; and a choir number 'Star of the East.' Following this lunch was served and the revealing of Sunshine Friends took place.

The Students' Union Dance held on Friday night was well attended and the added decorations, hats and noisemakers added to an enjoyable evening. Thurber's orchestra supplied the music.

We were sorry to hear of the death in Calgary of Mrs. Theta Simmie, a former resident of Arrowwood. We extend our sympathy to the family.

The Brethren Church Sunday School held their annual Christmas party on Friday evening. An enjoyable time was held with contests and games, and carol singing. Highlight was the giving out of Christmas bags, followed by lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Jantzen of Prnce George, B.C., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Culp.

The Arrowwood Booster Club held their regular meeting on Wednesday. Election of officers took place; those elected were President, Mrs. F. Burger; Vice-Pres., Mrs. B. DeWitt; Secretary, Mrs. B. Hughes and Treasurer, Mrs H. Williams. Directors, Mrs. F. House, Mrs. L. Williams, Mrs. K. Cochrane, Mrs. K. Watson, and Mrs. L. King. Following the meeting a lovely lunch was served.

Gerda Osternick returned home from the hospital on Saturday where she spent the past week receiving treatment for burns she sustained when she pulled a pan of boiling water from the table.

The United Church W.A. held their regular meeting in the church basement last week. Election of officers took place, the following being elected: President, Mrs. W. Steiner; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. P. Talbott; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. F House; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. W. Blackie; Directors, Mrs. R. F. Williams, Mrs. A. Ingraam; Mrs. M. Wallace; Sunshine, Mrs. T. Board.

Leonard Williams is a patient in the Vulcan hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

MAJORVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Bartsch left for Kaslo, B.C., on Friday when Mrs. Eartsch received a phone call that her niece Hope Jacobson had died in the Nelson General hospital after a short illness. Hope was quite well known around here as she had spent several summer vacations at the home of her aunt and uncle.

Friends who knew her when she lived in the Pioneer district will be sorry to know that Mrs. Chester Burke is a patient in the Calgary General hospital. Mrs. Burke was sent home from the Congo for medical treatmet and has undergone an operation. At last report she was progressing satisfactorily. Mr. and Mrs. Burke are missionaries in the Congo.

Mrs. Ettie Edwards

A former resident of Majorville for many years, Mrs. Ettie Edwards passed away in Camrose hospital on Dec. 8, at the age of 86.

Born in Messina, Iowa, Mrs. Edwards settled in the Blackie district before coming to the homestead in Majorville in 1913. She and her late husband retired to Calgary in 1946.

Surviving are six sons, Ralph, Edomtno; Harold and Larry, Calgary; Maurice, Royalties; Chester, Bassano; Dale, Abbotsford, B.C.; two daughters, Mrs. Claire Francis, Longview; Mrs. Andrew Suitor, Gem, Alta.; 34 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, three brothers and a sister in the USA.

Her husband Justin predeceased her in 1953 and a son Carl in 1921.

Funeral services were held last Monday in the First Church of the Nazarene in Calgary. Burial followed in Queen's Park cemetery.

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WMF Meeting

The Lutheran WMF met for the December meeting at the home of Mrs. C. Anderson in Milo. There was a good turnout of members. A Christmas carol was sung to open the meeting, followed by the Lord's prayer. Correspondence was taken care of and $49 was voted towards the church budget. It was also voted to send the fee to the Conference fund. This will enable any member, who wishes to attend the conference in Minneapolis to travel there and participate in the travelling pool.

In the absence of Pastor Foster, Mrs. Chester Thompson read the study portion from the Book of Peter. It was announced that the Christmas service will be held at the church on Dec. 24 as Pastor Foster, whose father died suddenly, wishes to be home with his mother for Christmas Day.

Christmas gifts were given to Mrs. Prentice, Mrs. Chester Thompson, and Mrs. M. Clemmons. After the meeting there was the annual exchange of Christmas gifts.

The hostess served a lovely lunch assisted by her daughter-in-law Mrs. Earlin Anderson, her granddaughter, Mrs. Joe Thompson Jr., Mrs. Prentice and her daughter, Mrs. Chester Thompson. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Bob Deitz.

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Mrs. Bessie Girton is here from San Bernadino, California, to spend the Christmas season with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Winch.

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We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and during 1956 may you have twelve months of health, fifty-two weeks of wealth, and three hundred and sixty-six days of happiness.

SERVICE BOARD NOTES

H. S. Burns, Field Supervisor

The latest summary of production in Alberta, prepared by the Dept. of Agriculture, Extension Service, provides some interesting comparisons and shows, how in many instances the farmers income has shrunken considerably even as production has increased.

The marketing of all grains from January to September of 1955 shows an increase of nearly $4,000,000.00 over the same period of 1954. Production of forage seeds show a very drastic reduction in pounds from 1954. Alfalfa dropped from 1,815,000 lbs. to 1,500,000 lbs.; Sweet Clover 3,825,000 to 4,000,000 Brome really took a cut from 4,775,000 to 220,000 lbs.; Crested Wheat from 4,000,000 to 250,000 lbs.; Creeping Red Fescue from 9,100,000 to 6,500,000 lbs. We have only mentioned the ones in which we are mostly interested in this area. It is not known what effect if any, this is going to have on prices for next season as there is a considerable carry-over in some instances.

At June 1st, 1955 the swine population was up from 1,408,000 to 1,620,000. Hogs showed a drop of 10 cents a pound from January, 1955 to September, 1955.

It is interesting to compare the number of beekeepers and the production of honey from 1953 when there were 1560 beekeepers in the province, to the year 1955 when there were 1270 and in the same period the number of colonies increased by 4000, and the value of the honey increased from $540,000 to $715,000 in 1955.

Fur bearing animals did not change much in numbers from 1953-54 to 1954-55, being close to 200,000. This is the number declared on fur farms, the value of the pelts shows an increase in the same period of about $160,000. All figures quoted are for Alberta only.

We note by the calendar that the time is rapidly approaching Christmas once more and we would like to take this opportunity of wishing you one and all the old, old wish: A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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District News

ARMADA

In 1955, Alberta's Jubilee year, as of September, the pupils attending the Armada School are: Junior Room (Mrs. Janet N. Oakes, teacher), Grade 1: Delmar Lucas, Adrian Marks, John Marks, Myrna Marks, Cheryl Oakes, Norman Stokes, Larry Vellieux. Grade 2; Bonnie Boyd, Charlean Lucas, Sheila Lucas, Marilyn Magnuson, Garry Marks, Glenda Sealock. Grade 3; Beverly Howell, Ronald Lucas, Thomas Marks, Frances Mocrieff. Grade 4; Cheryl Herma, Darrel Howell, Mavis Stokes. Grade 5; Harold Andrus, Velda Boyd, Donald Beagle, Sandra Magnuson, Robert Oakes, Lois Root, Chuck (George) Stokes. Junior High School: Grade 7; Hazel Andrus, Gary Beagle, Sharon Marks, Billy Oakes, Teddy Oakes, Billy Sealock. Grade 8; Leslie Andrus, Ronald Chambers, Linda Lucas, Jimmy Marks, Elsie Moncrieff, Judy Root. The Principal is Mrs. M. M. Bansemer.

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Belated Track Meet

Following are the names of winners in the Track Meet held at Milo on October 17, 1955.

Girls 6-7 years:

Relay—Glenda Sealock, Charlean Lucas, Sheila Lucas, Bonnie Boyd, 3rd.

Softball throw—Charlean Lucas, 2nd.

Girls' 8-9 years—

Relay— 3rd, Sandra Magnuson, Velda Boyd, Mavis Stokes, Frances Moncrieff.

High Jump— 3rd, Frances Moncrieff.

Running Broad— 3rd, Cheryl Herman.

Boys' 6-7 years—

Relay— 2nd, Norman Stokes, Larry Vellieux, Johnny Marks and Gary Marks.

Boys' 8-9 years--

50 yd. dash— 1st, Bobby Oakes.

High Jump—2nd, Bobby Oakes.

Running Broad — 3rd, Bobby Oakes.

Softball Throw — 3rd, Bobby Oakes.

Relay—2nd, Ronnie Lucas, Tommy Marks, Darrel Howell, Bobby Oakes.

Boys' 10-11 years—

Relay—3rd, Chuck Stokes, Donnie Beagle, Harold Andrus, Billy Oakes.

Running Broad — 3rd, Chuck Stokes.

Shot Put--1st, Billy Oakes.

Boys' 12-13 years—

Relay—3rd, Billy Sealock, Richard Stokes, Gary Beagle, Teddy Oakes.

Shot Put—3rd, Richard Stokes.

Boys 14-15 years—

Relay—2nd, Harvey Boyd, Ronald Chambers, Kenneth Sealock, Jimmy Marks.

Standing Broad — 3rd, Jimmy Marks.

MOSSLEIGH

Wilfred Hagedorn attended the FUA Convention in Edmonton last week and reported a good meeting.

There was a mistake in last week's news about the New Year' dance. Dancing is from 12:05 until 4 A.M., NOT from 12 to 2.

A lovely shower was held on Wednesday afternoon in honor of Miss Pauline Androsoff, who was married on Saturday. Due to the cold weather the ladies decided to make short the program which consisted of only a contest conducted by Eva Elliott. Mrs. Piehl made the presentation and the many lovely gifts were drawn in on a sleigh by Santa. Pauline was assisted in opening the gifts by Mrs. Piehl and Mrs. Mabel Beagle. Lunch was served by the Ladies of the Community Club.

The Mossleigh Home and School met on Wednesday night with a fair sized attendance. The grades 1 and 2 room won the room prize. It was decided that if the 7 and 8 grades cared for a game instead of candy bags, that would be what they would get. The members that were to report on the radio program were not present. Lunch was served by Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Maisey and Mrs. Stewart.

The 4-H Calf Club met at the home of Darrel Laughlin with all members present. J. Wyatt of High River showed films on club work and the calf show at High River last June. Lunch was served by the Loane and Gooch boys.

Don't forget Church service Christmas night.

Bob Berstchy and H. Leslie Jr. went hunting last week and came home with a deer and an elk.

Norman Gateman and Victor left Wednesday night for the east to spend Christmas with his mother in Ontario.

ALSTON

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flitton and family were visitors to Calgary on December 18, where they attended the Socony Vacuum Oil Company's Christmas Show. Linda Gay Flitton took part in the entertainment by doing a number of tap dances. Weekend visitors at the Cameron Middleton home were Mrs. Middleton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raaschou from Pearce, Alta.

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Merry Christmas

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HAPPY NEW YEAR
and a
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Central Meat Market & Lockers

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Elder's Garage

All Gasoline Pumps in Vulcan will close at 6:15 p.m. weekdays, except Saturdays and will remain closed on Wednesday afternoons, Sundays and holidays, with the exception of the service station named above, which will remain open until 8:00 p.m. every day for one week and will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Sunday and holidays, commencing

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Elder's Garage

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A train-load of good wishes for this holiday season.

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— VULCAN —

Annual County Ratepayers Meeting Will Be Feb. 18

Vulcan County Councillors held their meetings last week and transacted routine business, principally cleaning up the bills and accounts for the year.

In accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Districts Act, the Council passed a motion to hold the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers on Saturday, the 18th day of February, 1956. The meeting will be held, as usual in the Vulcan High School Auditorium. Provision was also made to hold the nominations meeting for the 1956 municipal elections at the same place on the same day from 3:00 to 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Councillors terms in Divisions 2, 4, 10 and 11 will expire in 1956.

C. H. Andrews was appointed Returning Officer and enumerators will be: Clyde Coe, Division 2; C. Dennison, Division 4; Lloyd Brown, Division 10; R. Beacome, Division 11; to prepare a lst of voters in the event that there is an election in those divisions.

Council considered an application for a grant from the Blackie Civic Centre Association, and declined to make any grant on the grounds that it is not the policy of the Council to make grants of this nature.

They also discussed the proposed gravelling by-law and it was noted that the by-law would require a two-thirds vote of the proprietary electors and it is hoped that this vote may be taken at the same time as any vote for any councillor, which would be on Saturday, March 18th. It is expected that final approval of the exact location of the roads to be gravelled will be ready for the January 1956 meeting.

Councillors discussed the matter of taxes owing in respect of crown lands and issued instructions to the Secretary to seize the goods and chattels on these lands on January 3rd, 1956.

Councillors also reviewed a list of accounts owing by persons who have obtained services from the County's road equipment and for weed supplies. It was noted that there was a number of accounts owing and the Secretary was instructed to use the best efforts to collect the accounts.

The School and Municipal Committee meetings were occupied with matters of a routine nature.

THE PROBABLE EFFECT OF 2,4-D ON THE PROTEIN CONTENT OF WHEAT

(By W. G. Malaher)

The suggestion has appeared from time to time that the application of chemicals to control weeds might, in the case of wheat, have the effect of reducing the protein content through making more water available to the growing plant. While some experiments reveal no significant change in the protein content of wheat harvested from a field sprayer by 2,4-D, most experiments in this connection seem to show that any significant variations were all increases, ranging in some cases up to an increase of 1% protein.

In one of the experiments conducted it was found that the commercial grade of wheat was not affected by the degree of weediness in the different kinds of plots where mild mustard was present; further, that applications of 2,4-D, heavy enough to kill sensitive weeds, resulted in an increase in protein content of wheat and that the increase did not appear to depend upon weed competition, variety, or whether the land was dry or irrigated. It would thus appear probable that, rather than adversely affecting protein content, the spraying of wheat with 2,4-D has the opposite effect.

Church Group Elects Officers

Mrs. Eileen Haga was hostess to the Candlelight Circle on Thursday evening, with 27 members and six visitors present.

Roll call was answered with a Bible verse on Christ. Minutes were read and adopted, and correspondence dealt with.

Twenty dollars was voted to be given to the church to help buy treats for the children at their Christmas program.

The monthly missionary money is to be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kaiser, Rosscarrock, Calgary. The slate of officers for the coming year are: Pres., Elsey Hollister; Vice-pres., Bertha Webber; Sec.-Treas., Ruth Dann; Social Sec., Inez Bogner.

The devotional thought was brought by Dorothy Chapman, followed by a solo "Dear Little Stranger" by Jean Gardner. 'Polly annas' were revealed with the exchange of Christmas gifts.

The program consisted of duets, Christmas thoughts and poems, given by each member.

A presentation of a cup and saucer was made to our retiring president who is leaving to reside in Coleman.

A most delicious lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Lois Schneider, Ila Lundgren, Wilma Boutland and Mae Spaeth.

W.M.S Elects Officers For 1956

Mrs. Guy Voisey was hostess to the Vulcan United Church Women's Missionary Society which met at her home at their regular monthly meeting in December.

Mrs. Mannen led the devotional while Mrs. Giles gave the lesson on "The Canadian Indian" from the study book.

The new slate of officers for '56 is as follows: President, Mrs. Guy Voisey; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Mannen; Secretary, Mrs. F. Hess; Treasurer, Mrs. C. Graham; Christian Stewardship, Mrs. Crick; Literature, Mrs. Oldfield; Temperance and Citizenship, Mrs. Giles; Community Friendship, Mrs. Morrison; Supply Sec., open; Associate Members, Mrs. Allan; Press, Mrs. D. O. Jantzie; Organist, Mrs. F. Graham.

The meeting closed with the Mispha benediction. The hostess served a delicious luncheon.

WEDDINGS

Carruthers-Campbell

The Vulcan United Church was the scene of a quiet wedding Sunday, December 18, when Rev. J. S. Clarke united in marriage Mrs. Verna Campbell and Mervin (Pat) William Carruthers, both of Vulcan.

For her wedding the bride chose a duralene afternoon gown of winter white with tiny gold fleck. Her accessories were of black and she wore a corsage of yellow rose buds.

Miss Helen Hunter attended the bride and she wore an afternoon gown of aqua taffeta complemented with black accessories. Her corsage was of pink carnations.

Rodney McKrimmon was best man.

Following a short honeymoon in Calgary Mr. and Mrs. Carruthers will make their home here.

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Grant-Friar

A quiet winter wedding was solemnized Saturday, November 26th, at the Vulcan United Church when Phyllis Anne, daughter of Mrs. P. Friar of Sussex, England, became the bride of Duncan Grant, son of Mrs. A. C. Marsh, Vulcan. Rev. John Clarke officiated.

The bride was attired in an afternoon gown of blue taffeta.

Attending the young couple were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Marsh.

Following the ceremony a small reception was held at the Marsh home. Those attending from Sundre were an aunt of the bride, Mrs. Jack Homes, and Mrs. H. Ballard and Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant have taken up residence in Vulcan.

NO ADVOCATE NEXT WEEK

Following established custom, The Advocate will not be published the week between Christmas and New Year's.

The office will be open during regular business hours for commercial printing and general business.

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TOWN OF VULCAN,
E. M. Farr, Sec.-Treas.

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Brief Items of Local Interest

Lew's Coffee Bar and Bowling Alley will be closed from Dec. 26 until Jan. 4. excepting for "Bus" hours which are 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thank you for your co-operation. 20-1advt

Last Sunday morning, seven new members were received at the United Church. The evening Service was conducted by the Explorers and CGIT groups and the young people were gratified to see the numbers that came out on such a cold night. The Leaders, Mrs. G. C. Ness and Mrs. Ed Roebuck took part in the service, and each member of the group had some contribution to make, to the very inspiring vesper service. Rev. Clarke told Henry Van Dyke's story, "The Other Wise Man."

Word has been received from Mrs. Herbert Spiegel (the former Miss Joan Jantzie) that she and her husband have accepted a position on the staff of the luxury Round Hill Hotel, in Jamaica, and they are now in residence there. Mr. Spiegel is the assistant manager, and Mrs. Spiegel, the receptionist.

Hockey fans are reminded that the Vulcan Legionaires will play the Fort Macleod team at the Vulcan Arena this Thursday evening, Dec. 22, at 8:30 p.m.

Dave Bell is again a patient in the Vulcan hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tuttle and children of Cranbrook, B.C., will spend Christmas at the S. Tuttle home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hargraves and family of Calgary will be holiday guests at the Jack Price and Dave Bell homes.

David Mitchell of Edmonton has arrived at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell, to spend the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Neville will spend Christmas Day with members of their family in Calgary.

Peter Czar of Grand Forks, B.C. is visiting with his mother, Mrs. Kate Czar for the holiday season.

E. G. Hansell was a business visitor to Calgary the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adam left Monday to spend the holidays at Washington and California.

Cecil Johnson is at present relieving the manager at the Milk River branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

Friends of Mrs. John Reuss will be interested to know she is spending a few days in the General hospital in Calgary where she is undergoing examinations and x-rays.

Miss Eileen Rutberg, who is attending the Alberta Bible College in Calgary this winter, will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hank Rutberg.

Mrs. Agnes McKay, who recently returned home from a holiday at Vancouver, B.C. and points in California, reports that she had the pleasure of renewing acquaintances with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schenck and their daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Mason, at Cuperpina, Cal. They are all well and wished to be remembered to friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Merv McIntyre and Gail will spend Christmas at the Woodward home in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pratt, Moses Lake, Wash., and Mrs. Roger Peters, Cashmere, Wash., were guests at the Ed Nelson, Lundy Findlay and Mrs. Katherine Bateman homes last week. They also visited with other relatives while here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fitzpatrick left Thursday to spend the holidays at the home of their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. R. Minnard, Vancouver B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Healy and children will spend Christmas with Mrs. Healy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Brett in Calgary.

David McIntyre will be a guest at the home of his son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Wallace McIntyre at Carmangay, for Christmas.

Friends of Mrs. Ray Gerding of Milo were very sorry to learn that she had the misfortune to fall and fracture her hip while crossing a street in Vulcan Saturday last. She was taken to Calgary for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sales will spend Christmas at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Lyle Sales. On Boxing Day they will be accompanied home by Lyle, Anne and children.

Holiday visitors at the home of Mrs. Frieda McRoberts will be her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Kathleen Doeling and Linda of Edmonton. On Christmas Day they will be guests at the Lorne Healy home. Other guests of Mr. and Mrs. Healy will be Mr. and Mrs. George Miller, Miss Helen Bagnall and friend of Calgary, who are their house guests.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Mensinger of Coutts, on the birth of a daughter, at the local hospital, Saturday, Dec. 17.

Miss Cleo Robinson of Calgary visited with friends here at the weekend.

Jerry LaRoche of Calgary is spending the holidays with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Matlock left Wednesday to spend the holidays at the Don Stuart home in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Willard left Monday to holiday at Pasadena, Calif.

Ross Shrag of Edmonton is spending the holidays at his home here.

Mrs. Opal Drummond and Mrs. Howard Jurney left recently for a holiday in California.

Jack Altman of Fresno, Calif. is spending the holidays here.

Mrs. A. Sales entertained a few friends at her home Friday evening in honor of her husband and her friend, Miss Margaret Hanson, whose birthdays occur on Dec. 16 and 17 respectively. The guests enjoyed a social evening of card playing and visiting. Later Mrs. Bill McMullen, on behalf of all, presented the guests of honor with a number of birthday remembrances and expressed the best wishes of all. Lunch, complete with a decorated cake, was served to conclude a pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Elder left Tuesday for Vernon, B.C. where they will spend the holidays with their daughter and her husband.

Guests at the William Peters home for Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. Verne Spier, Calgary and Mrs. A. Wismer.

Christmas Day guests at the Charles Northcott home will be Mr. and Mrs. Harold Northcott and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Northcott and boys and C. Northcott Sr., all of Milo; and Mr. and Mrs. G. O'Neill, Crossfield. It is also hoped that Mr. Ferngren, who has been confined to a Calgary hospital, will be able to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Brault of Lethbridge visited with the latter's grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Dobbs at the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buehler of Calgary are spending the holidays with relatives here.

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District News

LOMOND

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Doran on the birth of a son in the Lethbridge Municipal hospital on Tuesday December 13. His name is Dale Ray.

Eric Wiens and sons of Scapa Alta., are visitors at the home of Mr. Wiens stepson and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Ruppert.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter S. Ruppert were visitors in Lethbridge on Thursday of last week.

Al Van Kleek left last week for a three months visit with relatives and friends in Lombard, Illinois, USA.

Winners of the bonspiel in Lomond which ended on Friday night was Reg Frost's rink. His players were Leonard Sokvitne (third); Esther Koch, (second) and Charlotte West (lead); and the Henrickson rink from Armada.

Mr. and Mrs. Juan Cortez and son accompanied by Mrs. Phyllis Fyrtaz and family were visitors in Lethbridge on Monday.

The CGIT held their annual Vesper service in the Lomond Community hall on Sunday evening, Dec. 11 with a pretty fair attendance. Rev. J. S. Clarke of Vulcan officiated at the service and he also brought a group of the Vulcan Young People's along with him and we were very pleased to have them with us. Mrs. Roebuck, leader of the Vulcan CGIT, was a guest at the service, also sorry they all couldn't come. Tea and cookies were served in the kitchen after the service by the mothers of the CGIT.

Mrs. Lena Huff is spending some time in Hoadley visiting Mr. and Mrs. Art Huff and family.

Winners of the Xmas hampers raffled by the St. John's Guild were Stanley Liebrich and Phil Chapman.

Friends of James Foreman will be pleased to learn he has returned home after undergoing an appendectomy in the Vulcan hospital recently.

Little Eric Ruppert is again a patient in the Vulcan hospital where he underwent surgery on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Teasdale and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Teasdale were visitors in Brooks on Thursday of last week.

Goodwill Service Club Meeting

The Christmas meeting of the Goodwill Service Club was held at the home of Mrs. Jack Gerhan on Thursday evening, Dec. 15. Roll call was naming a Christmas Carol.

Twenty-five dollars was donated by the Club towards the upkeep of the skating rink and a shower planned for Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tolley, recent newlyweds from Lomond. The shower to take place the 2nd Saturday in January if the date is suitable for the young couple.

Following the business meeting, the nickel draw was held and won by Mrs. Henrickson. Program was guessing your Sunshine Friend and proved very amusing. Two new members joined the Club which gives it a fairly large membership.

A lovely lunch was served by the social committee following the meeting.

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Birthday Club Meeting

The regular meeting of the Birthday Club was held on Thursday, December 8th at the home of Mrs. Zuba with 15 members present. Roll call was answered by exchanging aprons. Mrs. Albert Johnson was in charge of the program.

The members decided to put on a dance at the Badger Lake school December 26th, if the weather permits. The meeting concluded with the hostess serving a delicious supper for her guests.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Anton Volesky.

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Lomond W.M.F. Meeting

The regular meeting of the Lomond Lutheran Women's Missionary Federation was held on Wednesday, December 14 at the home of Mrs. J. Henrickson with 17 members present.

Each member brought a gift and these gifts were packed and sent to Bethany Sunset Home at Camrose, Alta. The members also presented Pastor Foster with Christmas hamper.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Florence Sokvitne on January 18. The hostess and her assistants served a very nice lunch at the close of the meeting.

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The regular meeting of the St. John's Ladies Gulid met at the home of Mrs. Norris Hanna on Thursday, December 15.

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4-H Club News

The Lomond 4-H Sewing Club met at the school on Tuesday evening, Dec. 13. There were 18 members present.

Demonstrations on introducing speakers or Leaders were given by Marjorie Stannard, Sharon Skeith, Beverly Benson and Loretta Teasdale. Mrs. Lindsay showed the girls how to cut out and sew a shoulder cover.

Lunch was served by Margaret Green, Irene Kunkel and Marlene Koch. The next meeting will be held in the school at 8 p.m. Tuesday, December 27.

QUEENSTOWN

Jack Bushell has been a patient in the local hospital for the past several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hutchinson are spending a week or so with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hutchinson.

A number of folks attended the Home and School play "The Eager Miss Beaver," and report a very excellent and enjoyable performance by the players.

Miss Audrey Bushell and Eugene Bushell entertained a number of their young friends at a turkey supper and social evening on Sunday.

Grant Lahd has gone to Jasper where he has taken employment.

We have heard recently of the death of two former oldtimers of the district, Mrs. Jesse Edwards, formerly of the Giffen School district and Mrs. Forsyth, who, with her husband farmed north of town. Mrs. Forsyth had reached the ripe years of ninety-five.

Home Economist's Letter

By Jacqueline Donaldson
Home Economist, Claresholm

Cookies for Christmas!

What is more popular than the cookie jar at Christmas time! You'll want to have yours packed full — here are some cookie recipes you'll find delightfully different.

Nutty Nuggets

¾ cup flour
½ cup butter
2 tbsp. sugar
1 cup pecan meats
1 tsp. vanilla
¼ tsp. salt
Powdered sugar

Sift flour, measure, cream butter, add sugar gradually, creaming 'till light and fluffy. Add flour, nut meats, salt and flavoring. Stir until thoroughly mixed. Form into small balls. Place on slightly greased cooky sheet and bake in 350° oven for 15 minutes. While they are still warm roll in powdered sugar. Makes 3½-4 dozen.

Christmas Candy Cake

1 cup butter or margarine
1 cup sifted icing sugar
1 egg
1½ tsp. almond flavoring
1 tsp. vanilla
2½ cups sifted all purpose flour
1 tsp. salt

Mix together the shortening and sugar, egg and flavoring. Sift the flour and salt and add to first mixture. Divide dough in half and blend into one half, ½ tsp. red food coloring. Roll 1 tsp. of each pink and white dough into ropes four inches long, back and forth on the pastry board or between the hands. Place side by side. Press lightly together and twist like a rope. Place on cookie sheet, curve one end like a cane and bake at 375° for 9 minutes. Delicious if rolled in crushed almonds before baking. NOTE: This dough can be made for a cookie press by adding two tsp. baking powder and ¼ cup milk.

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1 cup butter
2 cups flour
3 egg yolks
2 tbsp. sour cream
2 tsp. vanilla
2 tsp. lemon juice

Cut butter into flour. Beat egg yolks lightly. Add cream, vanilla and lemon juice and add to first mixture. Turn out on floured board and shape into balls the size of an egg. Chill overnight.

Next day roll each egg to the thickness of pie crust. In the centre of each put a tbsp. thick raspberry jam and a walnut half. Moisten the edges and fold into a little turnover. Then fold the edges again to seal. Bake in a 375° oven 8-10 minutes — until lightly browned. Remove from oven and put a spoonful of meringue on top of each turnover and sprinkle with chopped walnuts. Brown in 325° oven. You'll find these are quite different and simply melt in your mouth.

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District News

ENSIGN

Mr. and Mrs. David Fisher are now living on the George Churchill farm. David will be taking over the farming operations in the spring. He was formerly employed with an oil firm in Pincher Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Larsen, Myrna and Fay were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Eamor, Calgary, the occasion being a family gathering.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Gothard left last Thursday to return to their home in the U.S. after visiting at the homes of their daughter, Mrs. C. Mote and son Bob Gothard of Nanton.

Erwin Dugdale of Pincher Creek visited here with his family last Thursday.

Miss Joan Thorp of the Calgary General hospital spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Thorp.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Brown were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown at Okotoks last Sunday.

Miss Helen Mote left last Thursday for Tacoma, Wash., to spend the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Elston.

The Ensign concert being held Monday night was very well attended and enjoyed my all. Thanks are extended to all who took part in making it so, and especially to Santa for coming out on such a cold night.

The Cultural and Athletic Club are sponsoring a skating party at the Ensign rink on Wednesday, Dec. 28. Everyone is welcome. Hot dogs, coffee and hot chocolate will be served in the hall after the skating.

The Ensign Birthday Club held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Ed Kennedy last week. They were entertained with watching TV and exchanging Xmas gifts, also finding out who their secret pals were. And drawing names for next year's secret pal. A lovely lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Mote and Earl were Calgary visitors on Tuesday.

A Sunday School party was held in the Community hall at Ensign Sunday afternoon, consisting of singing carols and choruses with recitations and scripture quotations and special musical numbers by the children. The program concluded with a short talk by Jake Heide on:

The Gift of gifts
All other gifts in one
When God in infinite love,
Gave His only Son.

A tasty lunch was served to all and treats given to the children.

REDLANDVIEW

Nelson Eamor of Calgary spent last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clare Dunham.

Lester Somerville of Rolling Hills was a weekend visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Les Ruark.

Donna McKay spent the weekend with Margo Snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burrell accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Burnell Drummond and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nafziger were Lethbridge visitors last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Todd and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Jacobson and Clara were visitors to Calgary last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coe of Carmangay were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cutforth.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cutforth were visiting his mother at Lethbridge. She is a patient in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Fulton were Lethbridge visitors last Thursday, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Buehler.

VULCAN WEST

Among those from the district who attended Mrs. Wylie's funeral in Calgary were C. H. Andrews, Morley Mellom, Mrs. Boutland, Robert Lyman, Mr. and Mrs. S. White and Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs J. White.

Robert Irwin of Vancouver is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S Irwin.

Mr and Mrs. C. H. Andrews and Lorraine were Calgary visitors on Thursday.

Recent visitors at the Harold Bride home were Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bride and family of Iron Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fisher were Lethbridge visitors on Monday.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Carruthers on their recent marriage. Mrs. Carruthers was the former Verna Campbell.

Madeline White, who is in training at the Ponoka hospital, is expected home on Thursday for a short Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Matlock are leaving Friday to spend Christmas with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Stuart of Calgary. Their two grandsons, Gary and Bobby expect to return with them next week to spend the holidays on the farm.

Howard MacMasters who recently moved to High River, passed away at his home there on Monday.

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During the past 50 years many changes have taken place in the development, use, and capital invested in tillage machinery on Alberta farms. When the early settlers arrived, many of them brought tillage implements with them, or obtained machines which had been used in their country or place of origin. At that time machines had not been developed specifically for use here. Some of these early implements, notably the plow, later on was found to be a contributing factor to the problem of wind erosion. Since the early days implements have been developed specifically for Western Canada. The pioneering work in this field was done by Dr. C. S. Nobleford, in an attempt to control soil drifting on his farm during the dirty thirties.

In the early days the plow, disc and harrow were about the only tillage implements used. Now a wide variety of tillage machines are available, which enable more rapid and economical cultivation of the soil, as well as protecting it from wind and water erosion. With our present day equipment an alert farmer who appreciates its uses and functions in a balanced farm program, can do an excellent job of cultivation and conservation. The present world wheat situation shows very pointedly the need for more crop rotations involving grass and legume crops utilized through livestock. We are certainly going to continue the production of grain but every farmer should carefully consider his own production program in the light of national and world conditions, and make adjustments which will help to ease this situation as well as put his farm on the credit side of the soil fertility ledger.

A farmer now has considerable choice in the tillage machinery he wishes to use. Each of these machines has its own operating characteristics. The adjustment, care and performance of tillage machines found on farms today are dealt with in this bulletin. This bulletin was published with the idea of assisting with the problems that arise when these machines are used. Sections in the bulletin are devoted to maintenance, draft, speed of operation, rubber tires, plows, one-ways, discers, duck foot cultivator, tool-bar cultivator, heavy duty cultivator, blades, rod and cable weeders, harrows, and emergency soil erosion control methods. These bulletins are available from your nearest district agriculturist.

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